

The image is a full-page photograph of a sunset or sunrise. The sky is filled with vibrant orange and yellow clouds, with the sun's glow visible on the left side. A dark, silhouetted treeline runs horizontally across the middle of the frame. Below the treeline, the surface of a body of water is visible, reflecting the warm colors of the sky. The overall mood is serene and nostalgic.

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*The past is behind us; one long dark shadow
obscures details and blends all of those things
into one eternal dream. Before us, the future,
eternal as the stars, looming, threatening, beck-
oning, bringing hope . . .*







Each existence sorted out into patterns – Childhood, Youth, Adulthood, and –Death. And everything is one. We are all together, all the same. We search for meaning but meaning is not there . . . Is it? Perhaps we search in the wrong places; perhaps we search in the shadows.









Or perhaps we lack the time to search. We rush and hurry, never ceasing or pausing to look about us or to think. Incessant work with incessant people. All wanting something we cannot find and blaming the world for our own failures.





The world does not fail; only people. But only because we are not willing to reach out and grasp the world by the hand, sharing our hopes and dreams with others like ourselves – maybe we're afraid. But until we are ready to step out and join the world, we'll not discover ourselves.

We are the world. We're everything that breathes and moves and lives . . . We are all the same. All valuable, all important, all dependent on each other. A mingling of the essence that is life itself. As long as one lives, we all live; when one dies, we all do. There is no separation, no other meaning.







Meaning lies outside ourselves, in the lives of others. In a common past, a common present, an eternal future. There is nothing but reflections of each other's lives . . . Everywhere we see them.







There is a common thread running throughout, connecting each with the other. A knowledge, an awareness, a meaning coming from some forgotten past, only some hazy memory reflected in a clouded glass.

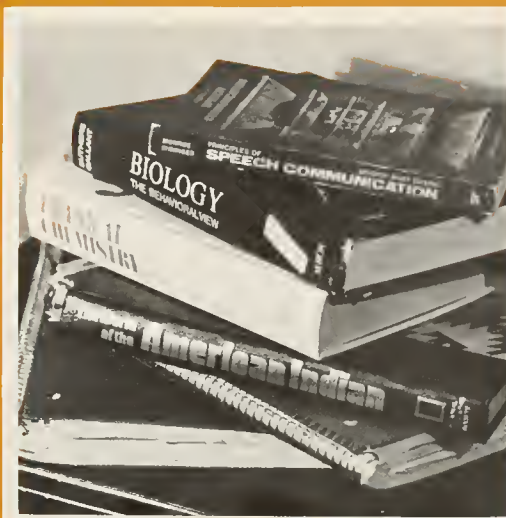
It binds us together and we know not why. All we know is that there is a kinship with the world, with nature, with each other. And we know that somewhere there is meaning if only the glass would clear and we could see the reflections. So we search . . .







ACADEMICS



An outstanding year in academics was achieved at Mars Hill College, as students and faculty worked to improve the quality of education. Students cared more about the education they were receiving; faculty strove for innovative teaching in the classroom. Together they set new standards in scholastic work.

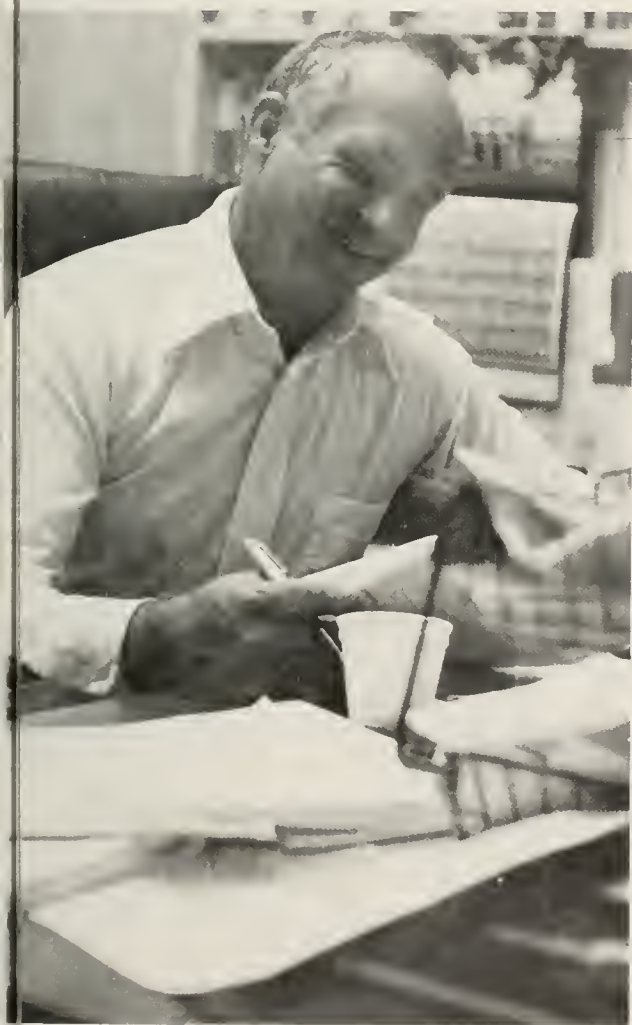
ADMINISTRATION

Administration With Students, Faculty Improve Curriculum

Through the creativity and hard work of the Administration, the competency system was even more firmly implanted into the college curriculum. This year administrators, together with faculty and students, redesigned all courses for majors to fit into the competency system. This continual development of the competency curriculum continued to give the college nationwide significance.

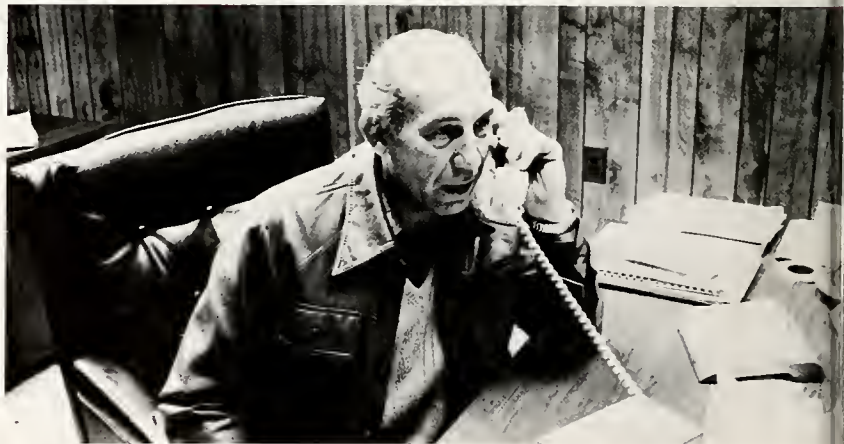
Commenting on the academic year, President Fred Bentley remarked, "The students were really interested in their college. They have helped their peers through programs such as the preceptors. Faculty, students and administration have worked closely together."





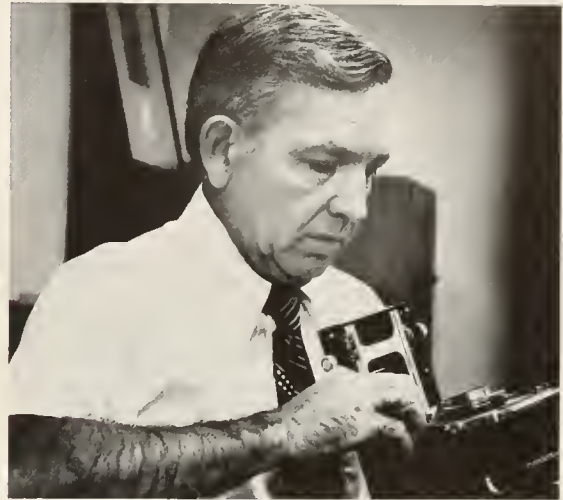
FAR LEFT: Robert Chapman, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. UPPER CENTER L: Dr. Fred Bentley, President. LOWER CENTER L: Ms. Frances Snelson, Assistant to the President. UPPER CENTER R: Dr. Donald Gehring, Dean of Student Development. LOWER CENTER R: Dr. Richard Hoffman, Vice President for Academic Affairs. FAR RIGHT: Ms. Jane Holcombe, Associate Dean Student of Student Development.

ADMINISTRATION





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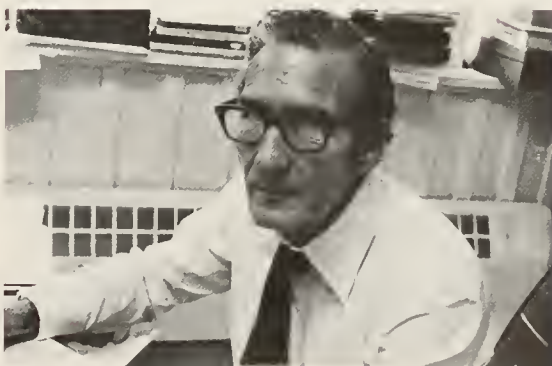
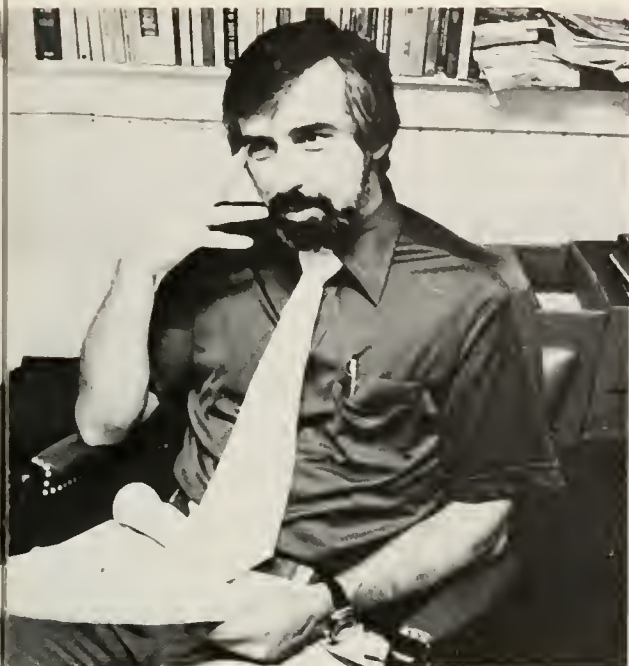


New Counseling Center Offers Meaningful Help to Students

Service to all students was the major function of the Administrative Staff; this was amply proven by the Career Development Center. Located in Cooper Cottage, the Center this year was operated by two new counselors, Diane and Dennis Hill. The Center offered materials for Personal Development Seminars and information on as many professions as possible. Seminars were also held throughout both semesters, aiding students in realizing a meaningful college experience.

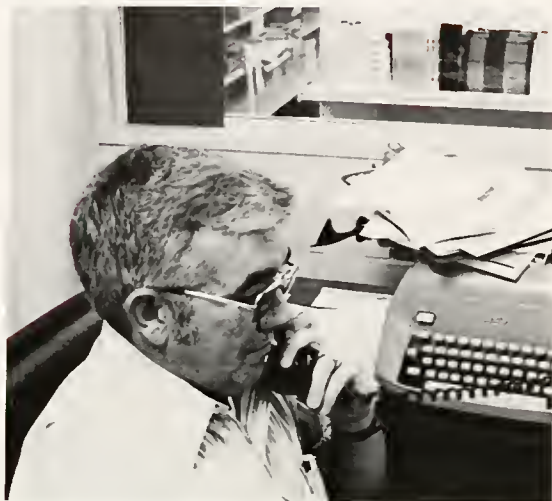
Besides the Counseling Center, the College Union provided students with a place to relax; the infirmary handled any illnesses; and the Computer Services aimed to make the scheduling process more efficient. All these and others of the Administrative Staff benefited the college community through their varied services.





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 LOWER CENTER L: Philip Weast, Director of Wren College Union.
 UPPER CENTER R: Dr. Harold Holcombe, Assistant Director CEP.
 CENTER CENTER R: Dr. David DeVries, Computer Services and Director of Institutional Research. LOWER CENTER R: Ms. Ellen Coomer, Infirmary. UPPER R: Richard Ellis, Director of Alumni Affairs. CENTER R: Ms. Mary Jo Byrd, Director of Student Housing. LOWER R: Dr. William Walker, Director of AIDP.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



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ART

Workshop Brings Opportunities To Present New Techniques

One of the biggest events for the Art Department this year was hosting a special workshop the first weekend in October for the faculties for music, art, and theatre arts from Baptist colleges throughout North Carolina. Several programs were presented on the methods and techniques of studio art, art history, and aesthetics. Students' works were also exhibited during the workshop.

As part of the curriculum, the department offered degrees in three major areas of the field: studio art, art education, and art history. Requirements included a one-man art exhibit for seniors during the academic year, and independent projects such as a special study in macrame or pottery. "We stayed busy," commented Joe Robertson, chairman of the department, "trying to produce the best examples of art in all capacities and providing an atmosphere for creativity."





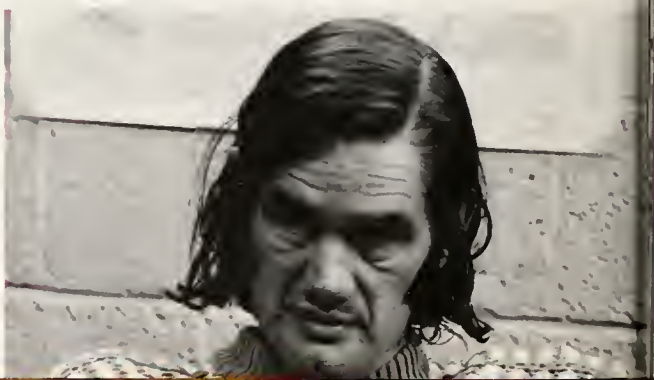
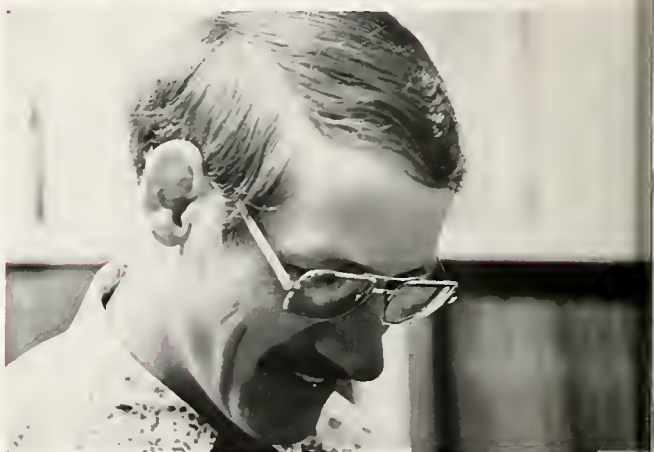
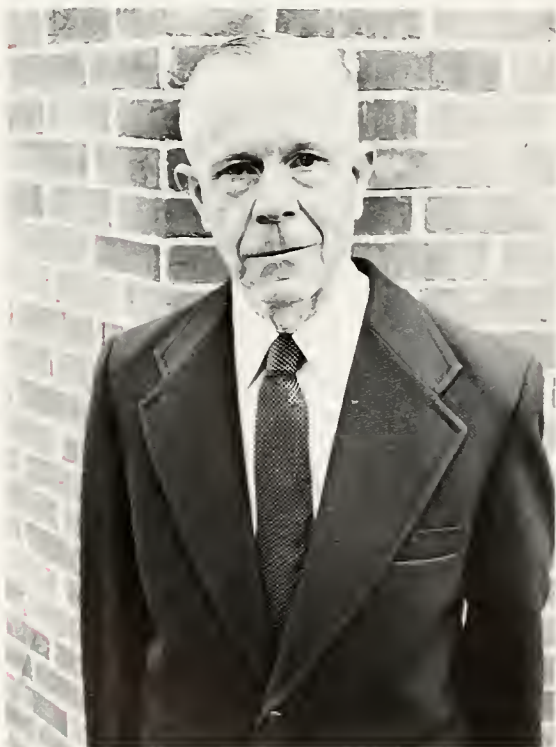
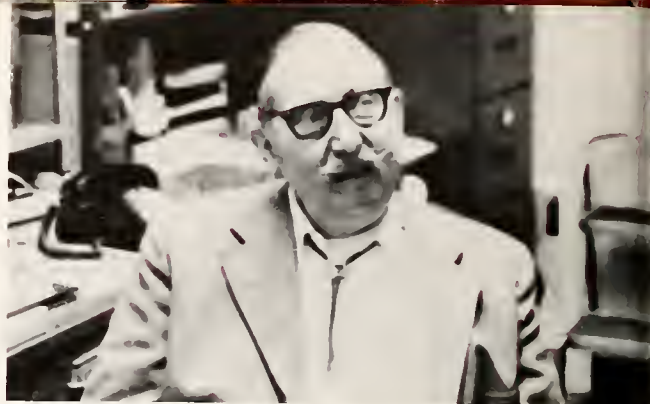
UPPER L: Joe Chris Robertson, Department Chairperson. LOWER L: Stephen Wing. UPPER CENTER R: Skillful hands mold clay into pots. LOWER CENTER L: With mat knife in hand, Beverly Hollar cuts out a design. UPPER R: Gordon Mahy.

BIOLOGY

Faculty Restates Requirements: Sets Competencies for Majors

The entire faculty of the Biology Department was engaged in a major endeavor this year. During January term and the spring semester, faculty members worked to restate the department requirements in competence statements rather than courses. These statements encompassed objectives for study in the specific areas of biology, botany, or zoology, while focusing on the general objective of developing "understanding and appreciation of the role of biology in the basic form, processes, and relationships of life." One concrete method taken to achieve these competencies was work in the greenhouse. Dr. Hutt was responsible for upkeep of the greenhouse and Sharon Wyatt, a junior biology major, served as his assistant this year.

LOWER L: Dr. L. M. Outten. UPPER R: Dr. Fred Diercks. UPPER CENTER R: Dr. Frank Quick, Department Chairperson. LOWER CENTER R: Dr. William Hutt. LOWER R: Donald McLeod.





CHEMISTRY

Adams Makes Contribution to Combined Sciences Degree

The casual observer might find little outward indication of change in the Chemistry Department; however, growth is certainly not dormant, as evidenced in several areas. This year an increasing number of majors joined the department, and the department extended its outreach to non-majors by offering courses in environmental and physical science. Mrs. Genevieve Adams contributed toward the development of the Combined Sciences Education degree, designed to prepare students to teach chemistry, biology, and mathematics.



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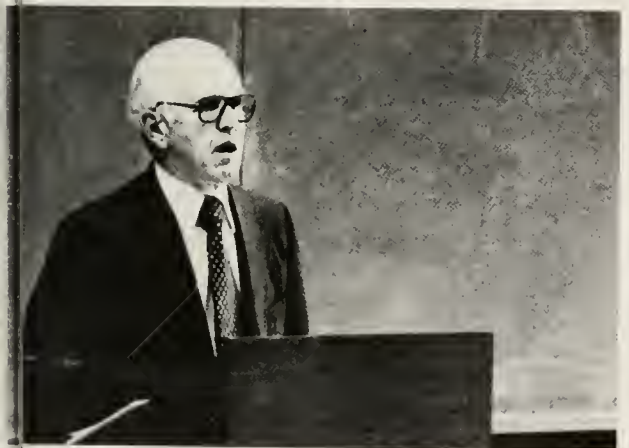


BUSINESS

Faculty Additions, New Courses Increase Department Outreach

New faculty members, Neal McKenzie and David Sperling, and added activities gave the Business Department a new look this year. Along with teaching courses in accounting, Mr. Sperling also coordinated a CPA review course offered off-campus in the fall of 1976. The course, a service provided in cooperation with the Western North Carolina Chapter of the National Association of Certified Public Accountants, was designed to update the knowledge of area accounting practitioners who sat for the CPA exam in November. Dr. Jack Grose, department chairperson, praised the involvement with the area business community and termed the activity an "important outreach" of the department.

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Narron. UPPER CENTER R: David Sperling. CENTER CENTER R:
Dr. Jack Grose, Department Chairperson. LOWER CENTER R: Roy
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EDUCATION

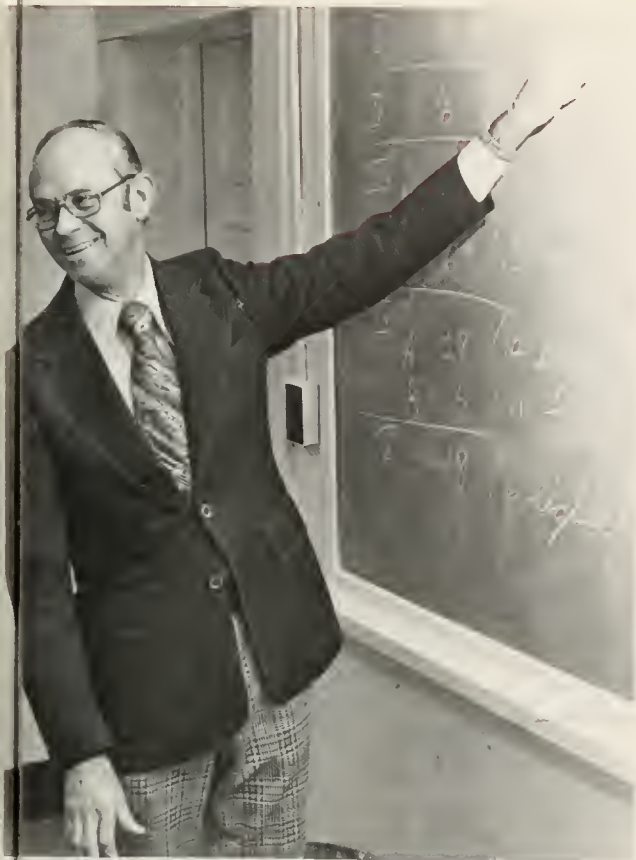
Experience Teaching Broadens Scope of Student Awareness

Designed to promote the professional, academic, and moral development of the students, the main goal of the Education Department is to prepare students for teaching in the public school system. With this goal in mind, the faculty of the Education Department sought to broaden students' understanding of human growth and behavior and increased their awareness of their duties and responsibilities within the teaching profession.

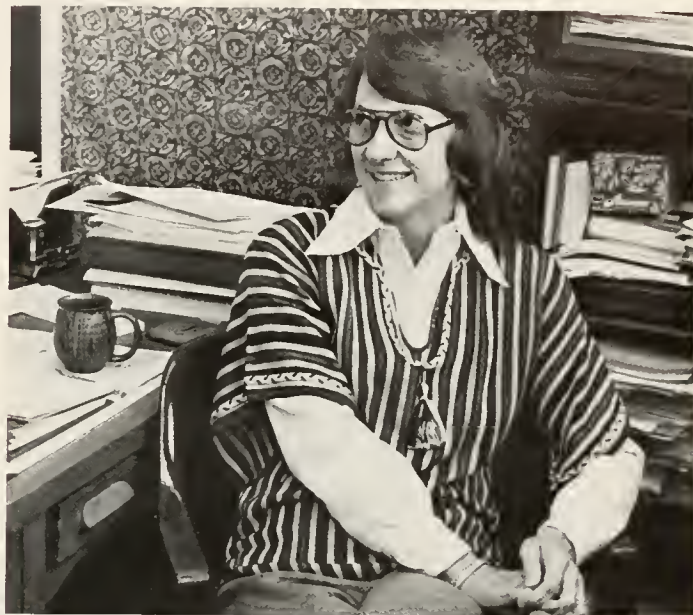
Included in the course of study for students majoring in elementary education was a one-year internship in an elementary school. Connected with this was a program in Greensboro which allowed some students to complete their internship there instead of at Mars Hill. In addition to the courses in elementary education, courses were offered preparing students for teaching in secondary schools. The program for secondary schools included one semester of experience teaching in a secondary school. Courses in Library Science were also taught in this department.

Summer remodelling of their facilities made working conditions more pleasant.





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 LOWER CENTER L: Dr. Vernon Chapman, Department Chairperson.
 UPPER CENTER R: Worth Booth. LOWER CENTER R: Ms. Teresa
 Stern. RIGHT: Ms. Lou Therrell.



LOWER L: Ms. Lucille Godwin. UPPER CENTER L: Dr. Joseph Schubert, Department Chairperson. LOWER CENTER L: Ms. Vesta Baughman. UPPER R: Dr. Mary Ihrig. LOWER R: Ms. Betty Hughes.





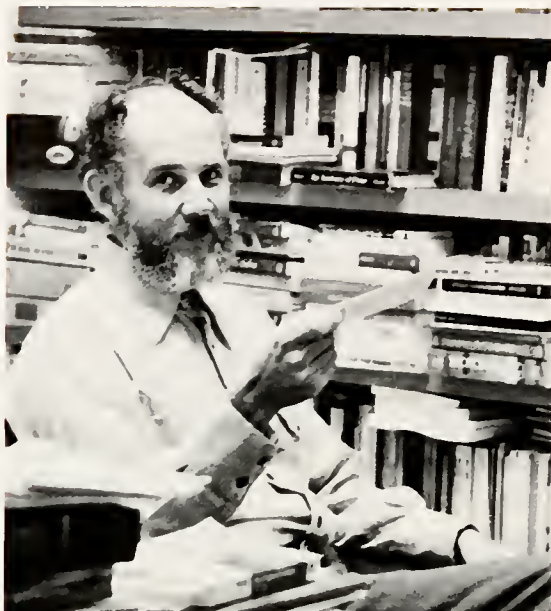
ENGLISH

Writing, Reading Laboratories Supplement Department Work

Stressing the importance of English in other fields such as medicine, pre-law, and business, the English Department offered a broad, sound basis in both language and literature. One of the goals of the department was to provide experiences challenging enough to encourage the development of an inquiring mind. Closely associated with the department were the writing skill laboratory and reading laboratory. Many of the majors served as preceptors, helping to teach basic English skills. In cooperation with other departments, the English Department also helped to broaden the scope of the Communication Skills Competence.



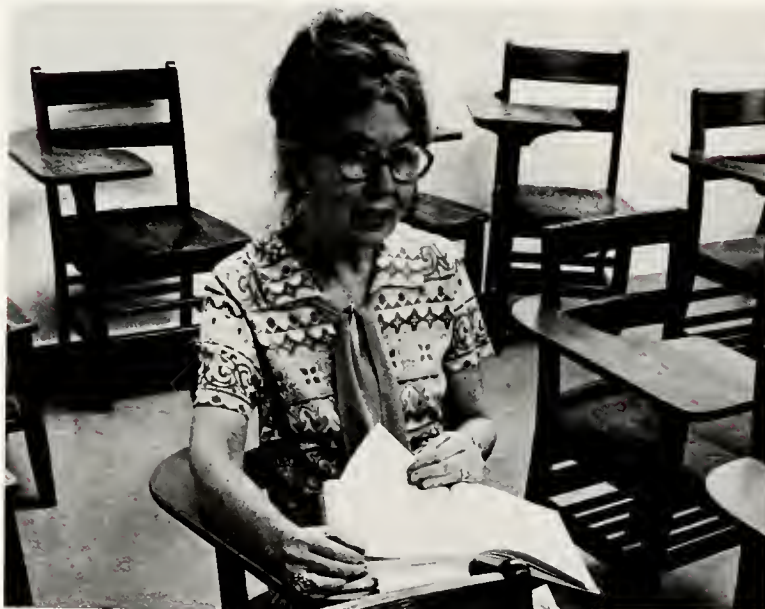
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 Knapp.



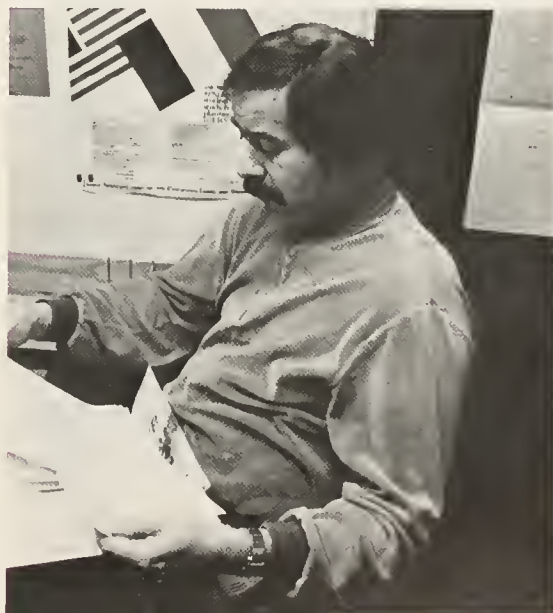
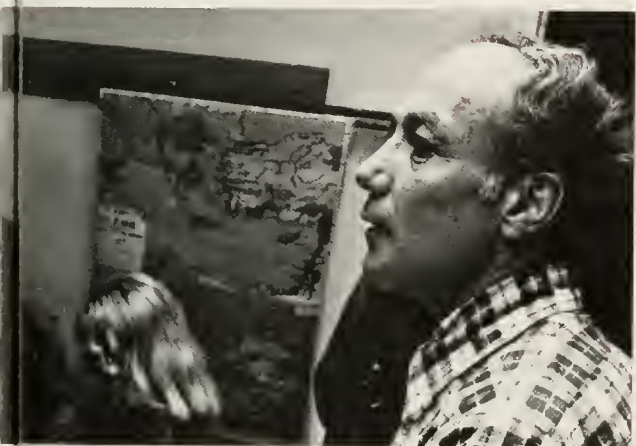


FOREIGN LANGUAGES

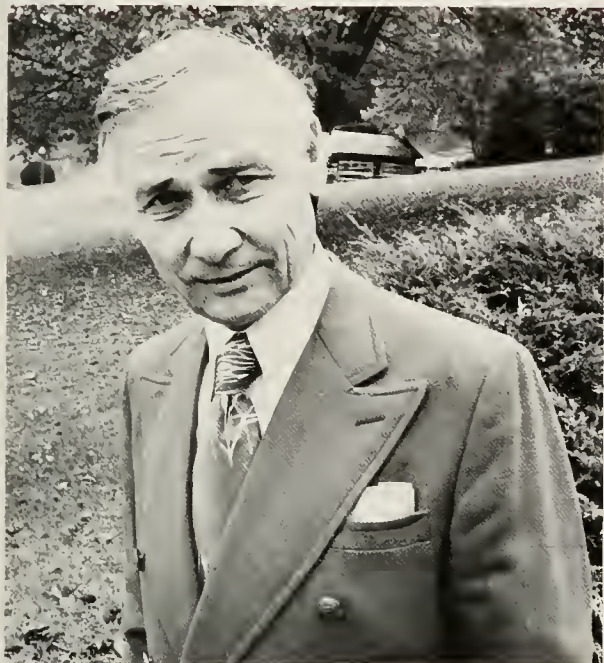
Rouille Provides New Insights Into Foreign Cultures, Values

During the academic year the Department of Modern Foreign Languages successfully achieved the goal of giving students a better understanding of foreign cultures. For a January mini-mester course, Associate Professor Robert Kramer took students on a tour of Germany, visiting historic sites, schools and factories. Instructor Michele Rouille, from Toulouse, France, provided French classes with new insights into her native culture.

Changes in the curriculum took place for French majors as evaluative criteria for meeting competency requirements were developed and new courses were added for minors. Finally, the faculty continued teaching foreign culture courses, part of the competency requirement in values. Through these courses, students became even more aware of the similarities and differences between American and foreign cultures.







HISTORY

Grant Makes Possible In-Depth Study of Blue Ridge Parkway

Under the leadership of a new chairperson, Dr. James Lenburg, the History Department expanded into several areas this year. Primary in this outgrowth was the establishment of a history honor society, Phi Alpha Theta, which was organized in early October. In addition, a \$1500 grant from the Eastern National Park and Monument Association was given to the department, allowing faculty and students a chance to do in-depth research on the Blue Ridge Parkway. However, as Dr. Lenburg stated, "The major contribution of the department was its assistance to the general education program of the college." By offering History 111, 112, 223, 224, as well as playing an integral part in both Synoptics and American Values, the department reached a large number of students each semester, exposing them to history and historical approaches as never before.

LEFT: Dr. Evelyn Underwood. UPPER C: Dr. James Lenburg, Department Chairperson. LOWER C: Ms. Betty Jolley. UPPER R: Dr. Harley Jolley. LOWER R: Dr. Jon Crawford.



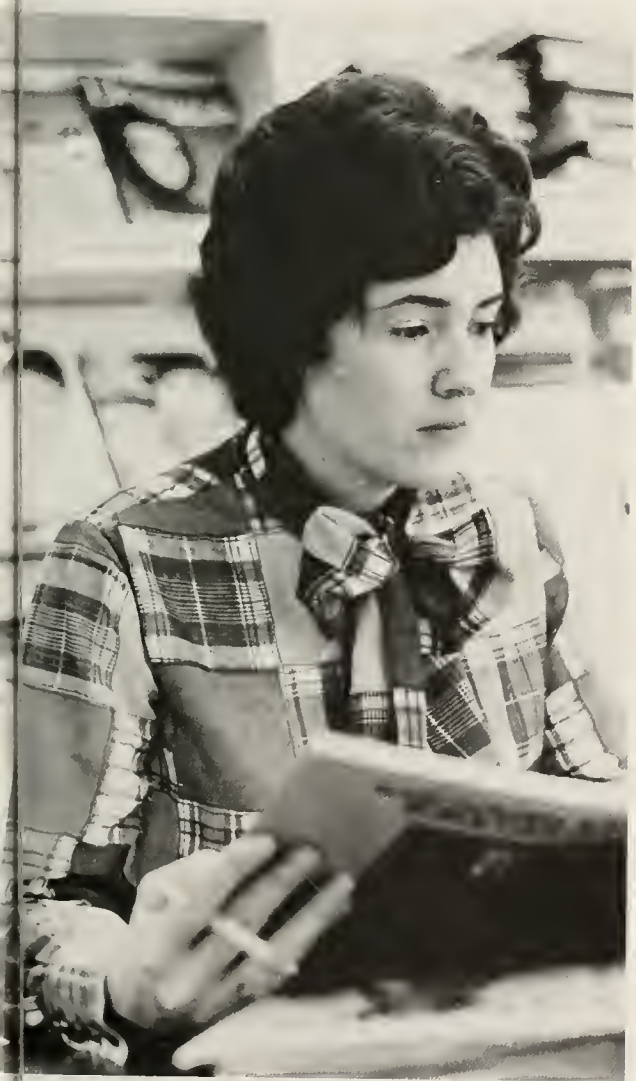
HOME ECONOMICS

New Fashion Merchandising Offers On-the-Job Training

An internship of one semester with a company in the fashion field was the highlight of the new Fashion Merchandising degree program in Home Economics. New in the fall semester of 1976, the Fashion Merchandising degree was the third to be offered by the Home Economics Department along with General Home Economics and Home Economics Education. The new degree prepared students for entry level employment as an assistant buyer or an executive management trainee.

The home economics faculty was also delighted by renovations which were made during the summer of 1976 in the home economics area of the Science Building. These renovations made the training given to students more up-to-date and effective. In addition, independent study projects and internships designed to meet students' individual needs were important methods of training used by the department. Some internships which have proved to be highly effective learning experiences have been in the areas of food services, child development, nutrition, and fashion merchandising.



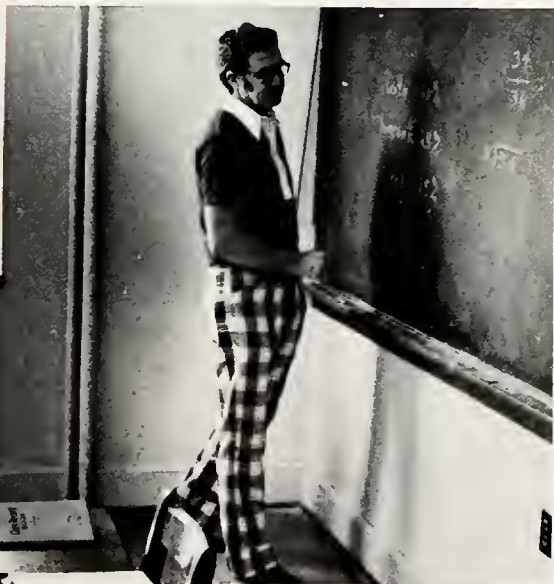
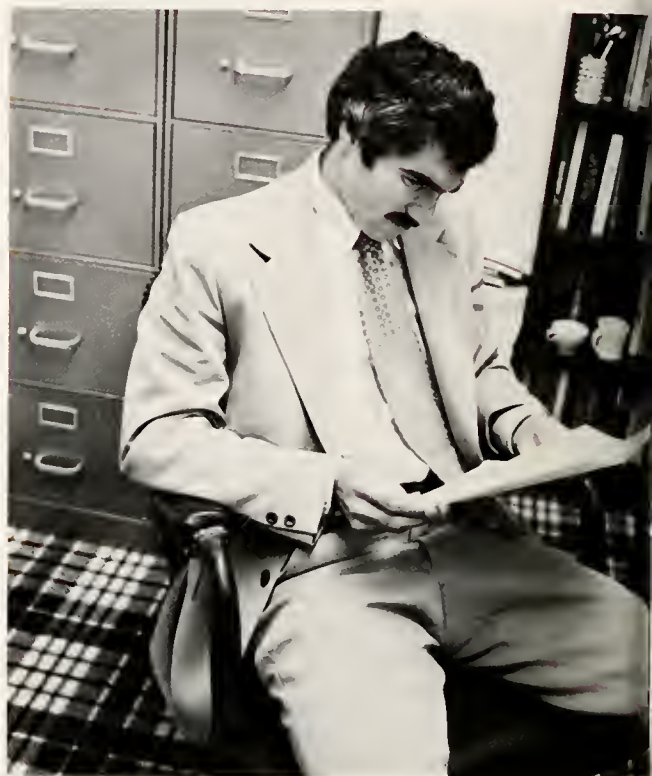


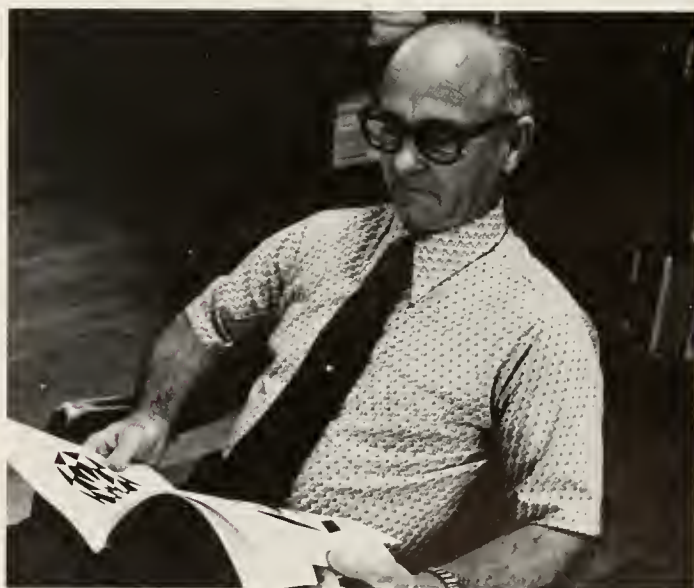
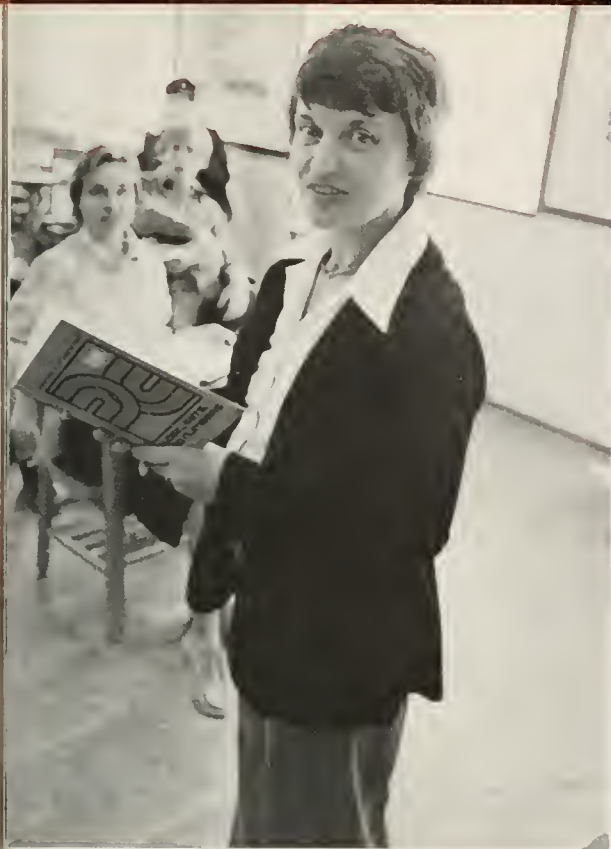
UPPER L: Ms. Winona Bierbaum, Department Chairperson. LOWER L: Ms. Brenda Spence. UPPER C: Students create useful, decorative macrame. LOWER C: Ms. Lynn Wenige. RIGHT: A home economics major prepares to cut a chicken for frying.

MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

Math Lab, Student Tutoring Provide Beneficial Services

Meeting the basic competence needs of students in math was one of the main goals of the Mathematics and Physics Department. Besides meeting the requirements for students specializing in the area, the department also worked with other subject areas to develop needed skills in math and physics. A new addition to the department was the math lab under the direction of Ms. Susan Kiser. The lab paralleled class lectures, reinforcing concepts and skills learned in class. Student tutoring also proved to be a beneficial service. Under the direction of a new chairperson, Dr. Donald Russell, the Mathematics and Physics Department was of great benefit to the college.





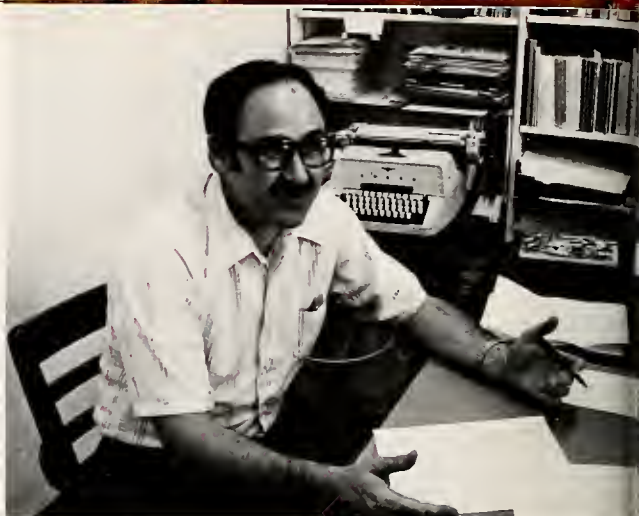
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MUSIC

Expansion of Degree Program Highlights Innovation, Change

A major curriculum change took place in the Music Department. Assistant Professor Don Bearden, a church music specialist, became coordinator for the church music degree, a relatively new program in the department. Through his work, the church music curriculum was both expanded and improved.

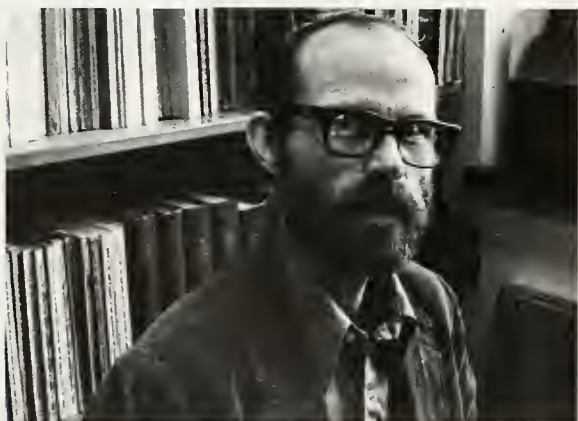
Other improvements were also made in the department. Last spring the music library was modified, and during the summer the band room was expanded. A small auditorium was remodeled into a classroom, a storage room, and three new studios. Through all these many innovations the quality of music education was improved.





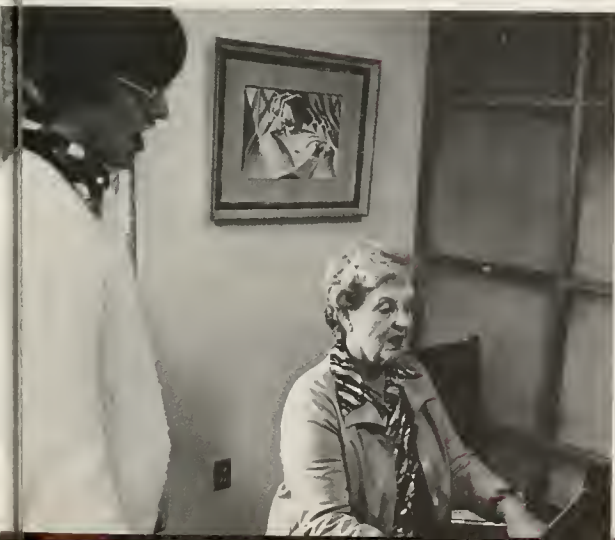
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MUSIC





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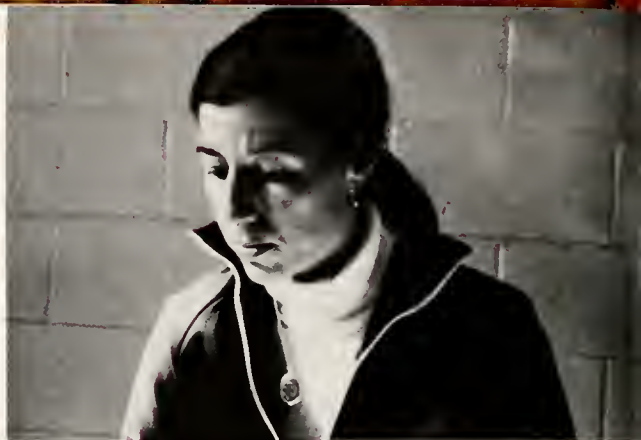


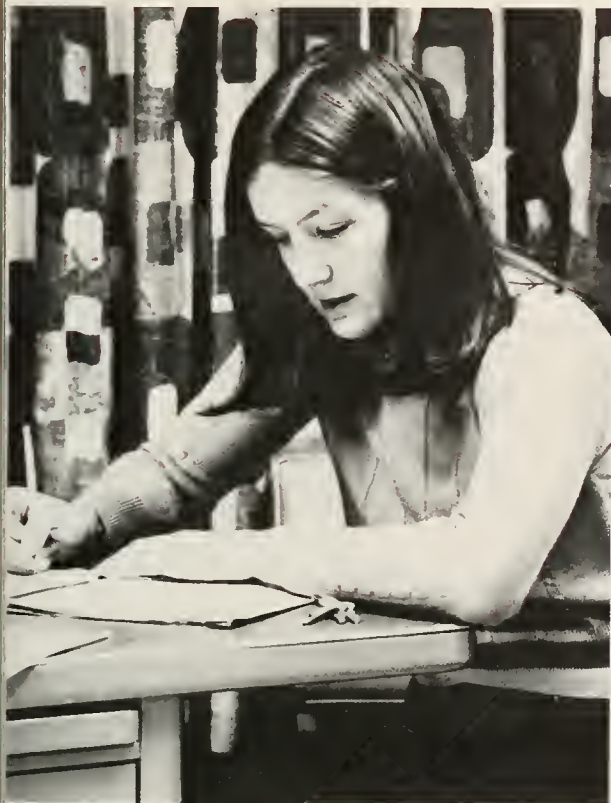
PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Additional Degree Programs, New Courses Embody Change

Additional degree programs, course revision, and a new faculty member were just a few evidences of a growing Physical Education Department. In the planning stages this year, to be available in the fall of 1977, were two new interdisciplinary degrees: recreation, divided into community, environmental, and church recreation; and sports medicine, designed for those interested in athletic training. The large-class concept was applied to the foundations course; a class of 85 students and two teachers was divided into motor skills and lecture sections. Three PE majors were assigned to assist with each motor skill division. Joining the faculty was Dr. Veronica Melton. She took on the duties of volleyball coach, assistant tennis coach, and coordinator of elective program.

In other beneficial changes, Dr. Virginia Hart donated a van, and two \$300 scholarships were established. These innovations and activities, along with special state conferences, initiated a continued upward trend of growth.

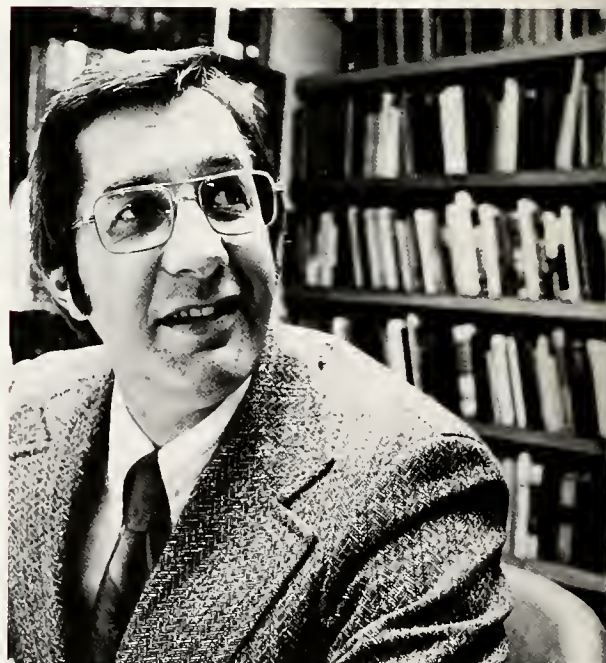


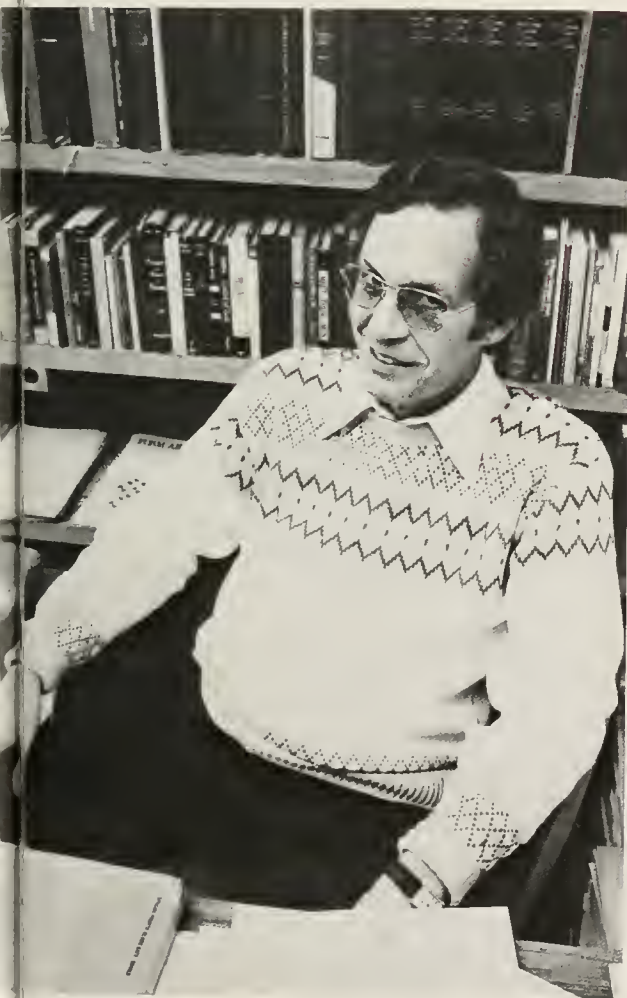
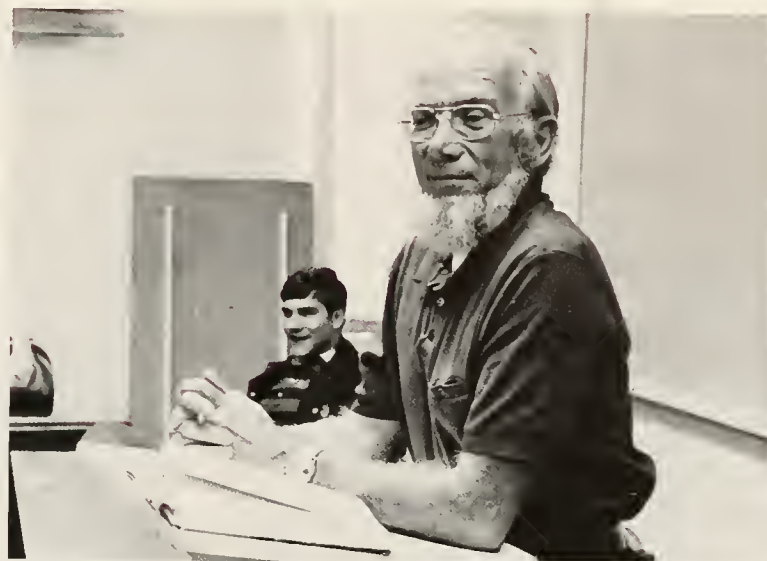


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CENTER R: Dr. Virginia Hart, Acting Department Chairperson. UPPER R: Harrell Wood. LOWER R: Charles Phillips.



BELOW: M. H. Kendall. UPPER CENTER L: Dr. Earl Leininger. LOWER CENTER L: Dr. Thomas Sawyer. UPPER CENTER R: Dr. Michael Kraft. LOWER CENTER R: Dr. Page Lee, Department Chairperson. RIGHT: Dr. Ellison Jenkins.





RELIGION

New Degrees Offer Recreation, Religious Education Programs

Faculty additions and innovations in areas of study embodied change in the Religion Department this year. Two new faculty members, Dr. Michael Allen Kraft and Dr. W. Thomas Sawyer, joined the department in the fall semester of 1976. Dr. Kraft held the newly-created position in the area of philosophy, teaching courses in philosophy, aesthetics, and synoptics, while Dr. Sawyer instructed classes in New Testament and Greek.

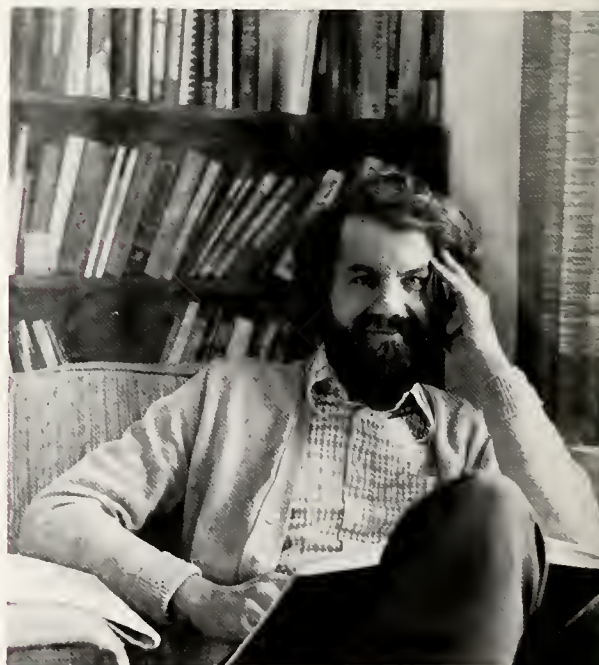
Also, the department offered for the first time degree programs with concentrations in Religious Education and Religious Recreation. Requisite to each of these programs was a full-year internship. Dr. Page Lee, Department Chairperson, found the development and addition of these areas of study and other changes in the department were significant, progressive steps.

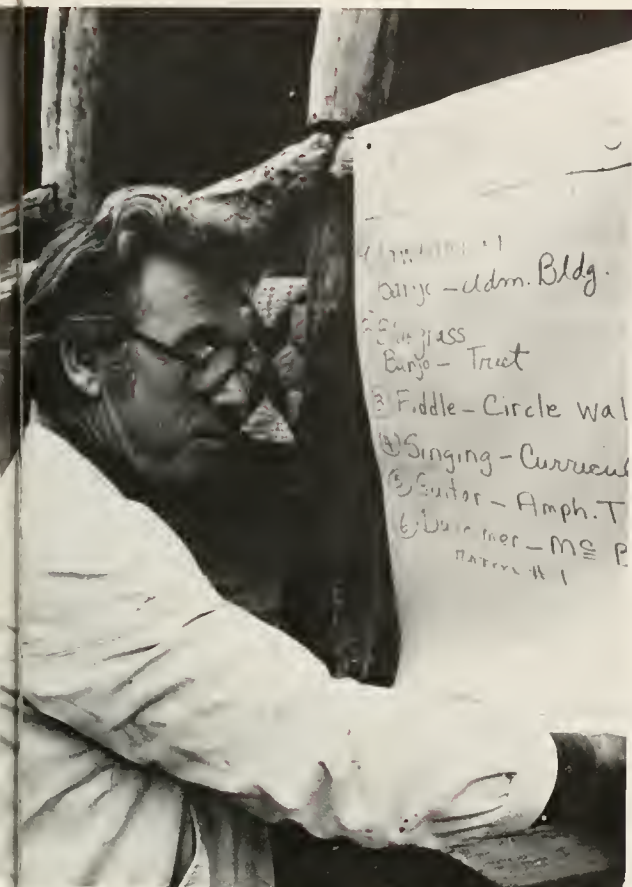
SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL

Community Projects, Program Expansions Highlight Year

Expansion of the social work program was a noteworthy achievement of the Social and Behavioral Sciences Department. With the help of a government grant, two new faculty members were added to increase the scope of this program. Besides social work, the Department also included Political Science, Sociology, and Psychology. Part of the training students received were internships with social agencies and research in sociology and political science which provided some student scholarships.

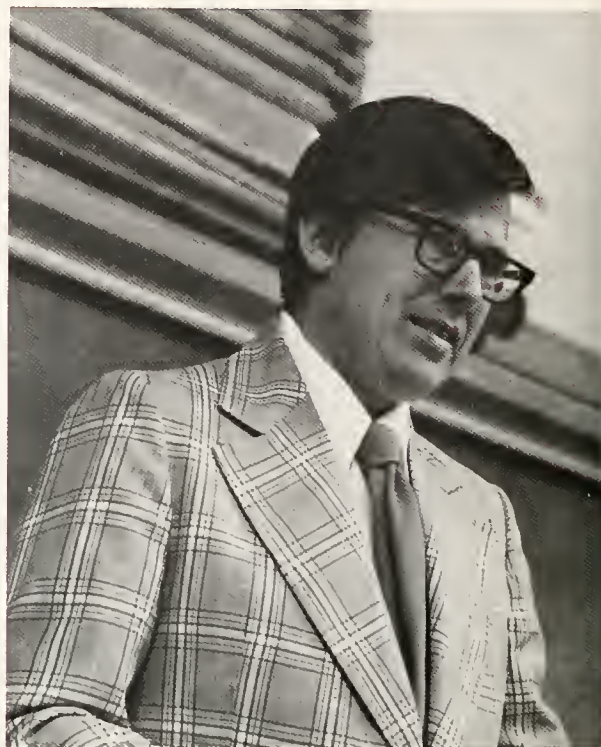
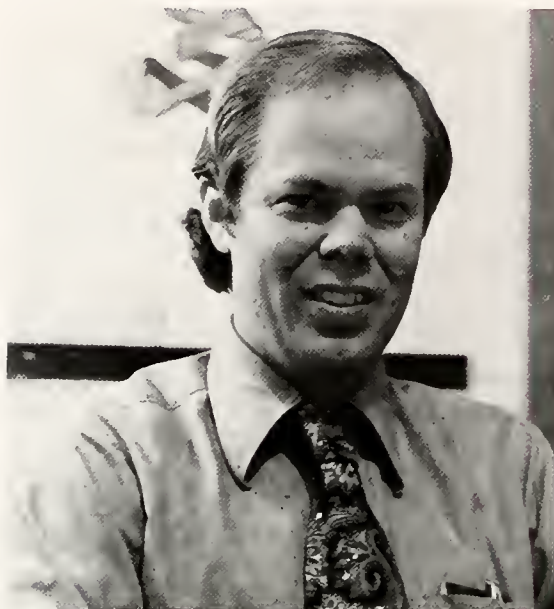
Community service projects were also part of the department's program. New in the fall of 1976 was a program providing students with the training necessary to work with exceptional children. This program was instituted as part of the training given to elementary education majors.





LOWER L: Ms. Dori Hansel. UPPER CENTER L: Ms. Carolyn Thompson. LOWER CENTER L: Harold Herzog. UPPER CENTER R: Dr. Donald Anderson, Department Chairperson. LOWER CENTER R: Kenneth Sanchagrin. RIGHT: Dr. George Peery.

SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL





UPPER L: Dr. Walter Stroud. LOWER L: Griffin Lloyd. UPPER CENTER L: Dr. Larry Stern. LOWER CENTER L: Dr. Joseph Godwin. UPPER CENTER R: Ms. Fay Walker. LOWER CENTER R: Dr. Richard Getty. RIGHT: Ms. Margaret Boland.

THEATRE ARTS

Improvement Continues While Facilities, Enrollment Expand

This year not only did the Theatre Arts Department continue its high standards involving course content, but it also upgraded the major tool utilized in study — Owen Theatre. The basement of the theatre was renovated, resulting in expanded dressing rooms, box office space, storage room and added restroom facilities for theatre patrons.

Debbie Compton, Third Century Artist for the NC Arts Council, collected costumes for department productions, which extended the existing wardrobe tremendously. The department also expanded in student enrollment with 15 freshmen.

Besides regular productions, senior majors Serena Bell, Jill Stevenson and Cheryl Abood, having dealt with such areas of study as lighting and technical production, acting, dancing and stage movement, make-up, and playwriting, each took on the task of directing a one-act play.





UPPER CENTER L: Jim Thomas helps a student apply make-up before a performance of "Mandy Lou." LOWER CENTER L: Dr. Virgil Gray. UPPER CENTER R: John Gullick demands a response from a defiant Candie Olsen during rehearsals of "Ladies of the Jury." LOWER CENTER R: C. Robert Jones. CENTER R: Jim Thomas, Department Chairperson.

GENERAL STAFF

Dedication, Hard Work, Skill Create Pleasant Environment

Without the General Staff at Mars Hill, the school would probably cease to exist. The General Staff included those in the Physical Plant, the College Bookstore, security officers, Resident Assistants, and piano technicians and stage managers. They were the ones who kept the campus clean and beautiful, kept equipment in good condition, made sure students had textbooks, and protected the safety of the students. These people worked very hard and expended great effort to make the college a comfortable, safe place.





LEFT: Ms. Johnnie White, Post Office. UPPER CENTER L: Resident Tutors. LOWER CENTER L: Ed Muckey, Stage Manager, Moore Auditorium. UPPER R: Resident Assistants. CENTER R: Ms. Fannie Sizemore, College Bookstore Assistant. LOWER CENTER R: Mamie Chapman, College Bookstore Assistant. RIGHT: Physical Plant staffers.

GRADUATION

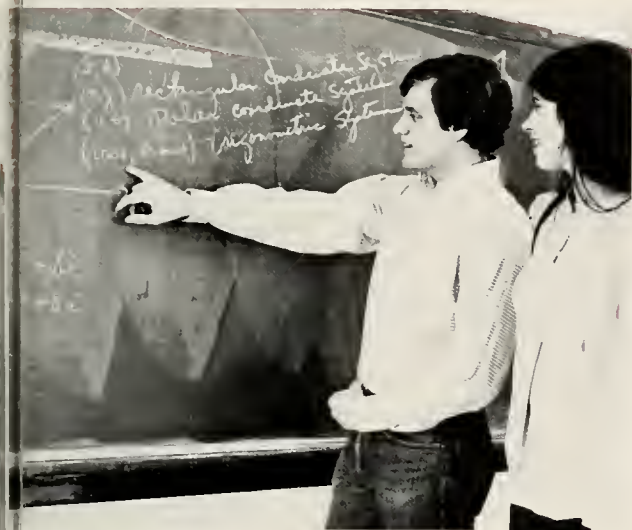
Class of '76 Becomes Largest To Graduate From MHC

Approximately 310 seniors crossed the stage in Moore Auditorium on May 16 to receive their diplomas, making the 1976 senior class the largest graduating class in Mars Hill history. Morning baccalaureate services were conducted by Jo Graham Foster, a member of the North Carolina General Assembly. This event marked another milestone for Mars Hill history: it was the first time a woman had been invited to deliver a principle commencement address at MHC. Thus, two memorable events helped successfully shape graduation 1976.



LEFT: Senior graduates file-in for academic procession. UPPER R: Baccalaureate speaker Mrs. Jo Graham Foster meets two of the trustees. LOWER R: Clever Bill Lockaby of Taylors, S. C., shows a commencement tag to fellow graduate David Haywood of High Point.





PRECEPTORS/LAB

Departmental Aids Demonstrate Problem - solving Techniques

Whether it was a question concerning the best way to compose a thesis statement or about the identity of an exposed muscle of some creature reeking with formaldehyde, it was the job of preceptors and lab assistants to help find the answers. Both English majors and upperclassmen from other departments conducted labs dealing with basic English skills. Those students whose talents were of a mathematical nature held problem solving sessions supplementing classes in algebra, geometry, and introductory calculus. The biology and chemistry laboratories found assistants engaging in duties of a different sort. Not only were these students available to answer questions, but they also prepared chemicals and apparatus for each week's experiment and occasionally sought out replacements for broken glassware.

UPPER L: In math lab Meg Pressley tries to answer a student's question about trigonometric functions. UPPER R: Chemistry lab aides Julia Storm and Tom Small find a little comic relief while mixing up chemicals for an upcoming class. LOWER L: Tom Small stores away supplies after students have left.



ORIENTATION/MENTOR TEAMS

GATEWAY, Mentors Acquaint Freshmen With Curriculum

Lessening the confusion created by the influx of new students into Mars Hill has always been a dubious responsibility. Yet, as in past years, it fell to the GATEWAY staff and Mentor teams to do just that and, at the same time, reassure students and parents terrified at the notion of "college." The orientation process proved to be a typically comprehensive one for new students. From the very afternoon they arrived, getting-acquainted sessions and placement tests occupied much of their time, the few free moments they had being spent in planned recreation or collapse in still undecorated dorm rooms. Despite the rush of those few chaotic days, though, most new students, with the aid of Mentors, the GATEWAY staff, and their own self-reliance, were able to adjust well to the whole new world of MHC.



UPPER R: Alice Harrell answers questions from two of her mentees during orientation week. LOWER L: Long lines during registration wind their way in and out of Chambers' hallways and lobby. LOWER R: Parents wait with their eager young Lions for the start of a mentor session.





UPPER L: A rush for the cafeteria line finds many having the same idea, discover incoming frosh. UPPER R: Jim Lenburg and mentees discuss problems in adjusting to college life. LOWER: Bob Swan hands out information on CSM to interested passers - by during registration.



MINI-MESTER

Creativity, Interest, Fun Blend During January Short-Term

From humor in music and literature to designing a contemporary wedding service, minimester classes took all shapes and forms this year. Whether it was finding the right mixture of blues and greens in painting for beginners, or guided meditation and yoga in Indian life and thought, students were allowed three weeks to explore areas especially suited to their interest. Many opted for the classroom course offerings while still others designed their own minimester projects. Some courses went beyond the four walls of the classroom: students in "Profile of Modern Business" visited area plants and businesses; eight students traveled with Dr. Harley Jolley throughout the American Southland; organ maintenance participants traveled throughout the area comparing various church organs.

Whatever the courses, minimester proved for most, a time of creativity, interest, and a chance to rest and relax before the spring semester began.





UPPER LEFT: Pat McCaully entwines strands of jute into a macrame creation. LOWER FAR L: Curtis Crouch relates his 'remembrances' to Linda Goforth and others of the Lozanov memory technique class. LOWER L: Tim Babb steps high to the music during clogging class. LOWER R: Lynn Eden protects the remains of her 'Bake Shop' product. FAR R: Students find the exercise of clogging a cure for January cold. UPPER R: Gordon Mahy gives advice about proper brush stroke techniques.



ACTIVITIES



Perhaps the best memories of Mars Hill for most students were the many activities found on campus. Breaking the routine of studying were a variety of events, such as homecoming, plays, or rock bands. The daily activities were probably best remembered, from open dorms and cafeteria meals to the many friendships made throughout the year.

UPPER L: On an autumn day, Anna Daniels finds an ice cream cone and a little "foolery" helps break the college routine. UPPER CENTER L: In a world of winter white, Richard Easterbrooks slips and slides to his next class. UPPER CENTER R: Keith Walker and Sarah Tunstall enjoy a break between classes. UPPER FAR R: Hal Hill enjoys both the weather and the "scenery" during a warm, spring afternoon. LOWER L: With ornaments in hand, Edna Moore residents "deck the halls" and the lobby Christmas tree. LOWER R: Students rush to Wren College Union to escape the winter chill.





STUDENT LIFE

Trips to Parkway or Shoney's Make MHC Routines Bearable

The daily facts of college life — eating and complaining in the cafeteria, making the customary pilgrimages to the post office, or "studying" in the library — once again combined to make a colorful mosaic of student activities this year at Mars Hill. There were highlights: Homecoming, a gala Christmas party in the Union, Spring Fling. But, as always, great "Happenings" came few and far between and students were often hard-pressed to find their own escape from the old routine. Whether it was in trips to "Doc's," "Shoney's," or to the Parkway, or even in making the best of each moment, Mars Hillians showed their ingenuity at creating their own excitement. All was not dull, however, for along with new faces came new activities, especially in the College Union, to spice up the commonplace. And even the commonplace became bearable for those who realized that the patterns of daily life were the things that made up memories.

DORM LIFE

Apartments Provide Alternative To Traditional Dorm Living

With the opening of the Dickson-Palmer Apartments in the early summer, dorm life took on a new look at Mars Hill this year. Many upperclassmen moved from traditional dorm living to the student apartments.

Also new this year in dorm living was the delegation of upperclassman and freshman dorms. Freshman men were housed in Brown, Melrose, and several floors of Spilman, while frosh girls roomed in Treat, Stroup, and Edna Moore dorms. Upperclassmen were free to occupy the remaining campus dorms as well as the townhouses and new student apartments.

UPPER R: With some dorms having little heat during cold winter weather, even toboggans inside the dorm rooms feel good. LOWER: Plush carpets and modern appliances characterize the new Dickson-Palmer Apartments for students.





UPPER: Beth Hintz, Mark Jones, Sandra Kimsey, David Cole, Steve Williams, Jane Edwards and Tony Ikard enjoy a chance to chat during open dorms. LOWER L: Dorm rooms also serve as indoor closelines when dryers are broken, as Robin Murray's room shows. LOWER R: Marcia Dean begins a new piece of needlework.

WORKING STUDENTS

Many Combine Studies, Work For Educational Experiences

While some students worked in the cafeteria, the post office, or the library, others filled positions that were of an academic nature, such as resident tutors, lab assistants aiding the English, math, and chemistry departments, tutors in all academic subjects, and accompanists for instrumentalists and vocalists. The resident tutor program, new this year, employed qualified juniors and seniors to live in the freshman dorms and aid freshmen in making an easier transition into college life, both academically and personally. One student described his work as "quite an experience." Thus, whatever the job, students were sure to be remunerated not only financially but also educationally.

UPPER R: Gail Wilde begins salad preparations for evening cafeteria meal. LOWER: Punching the time clock is one of the more interesting aspects of any job, finds Debbie Clary.





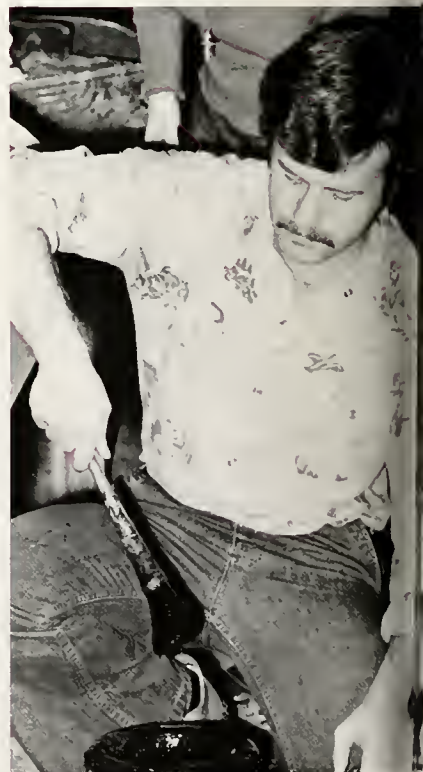
SART

Delightful Dramatic Productions Enthrall Summer Audiences

With the premiere of a new musical, "Mandy Lou," and the production of all-time favorite "The Sound of Music," the second season for the Southern Appalachian Reportory Theatre proved highly successful. C. Robert Jones' third musical, "Mandy Lou," highlighted the season with its world-wide premiere in August. Described as a "new old-fashioned musical comedy," this light-hearted play captured the humor and charm of the antebellum South. "The Sound of Music," Rodger's and Hammerstein's famous musical, ran an extra week as people flocked to hear the story of the Von Trapp Family Singers. Finally, "Ark of Safety," which premiered during SART's first season, was staged by the theatre company, like the other two plays, at Owen Theatre.



UPPER: In "Sound of Music," Baron von Trapp recognizes his deep love for Maria while on the dance floor. LOWER L: Jim Thomas and Pam Smith plot Mandy Lou's downfall in C. Robert Jones' original play.





THEATRE ARTS

From 'Mandy Lou' To 'Trevor', Theatre Offerings Vary Widely

Offering MHC a repertoire of cleverly executed shows, some 30-35 theatre arts students spent their year in and out of class assimilating and applying theatrical skills such as set-building, directing, lighting, and publicity. They were also required to walk the boards in at least one of the department's eight productions.

Fall semester presentations were a revival of the summer theater production of "Mandy Lou," "Ladies of the Jury," and two student-directed one-acts: "Trevor" and "The Ugly Duckling."

"Amos' Secret," a delightful adaptation, by Jill Edwards-Stevenson of the book *Ben and Me*, was the mini-mester children's theater production.

Spring semester's repertoire included "The Bacchae," directed by Jim Thomas, "Spoon River Anthology," and "An Evening of Opera Scenes."



UPPER L: A confident Debbie Compton threatens Tony Haire in "Ladies of the Jury." UPPER C: Pam Smith portrays a nasty southern belle in "Mandy Lou." UPPER R: Jim Williams and Cindy Zoll, as Prince Simon and Princess Camilla, try to work out problems in "The Ugly Duckling." LOWER L: Ben Vogler, as the king, and Cindy Zoll, as the princess, enjoy a light moment during dress rehearsal for "The Ugly Duckling." LOWER C: Ed Kearney begins work backstage on props. LOWER R: An adaptation of *Ben and Me*, "Amos' Secret" provides fun for all.

LUNSFORD

Area Youth Portray Mountain Culture Through Puppet Show

This year the Bascom Lamar Lunsford Minstrel of Appalachia Festival featured several events throughout the three days of dancing, music-making, and pure enjoyment. Beginning the festivities right "in step," an entire evening of dancing was held on Thursday, September 30, at Madison High School in Marshall. The following day the scene was moved to Moore Auditorium, where "youth night" highlighted the events. Saturday's activities began early in the morning with workshops involving mountain singing, various instrumental techniques, and smooth and clog dancing. Photographs depicting mountain musicians by Ron Amberg and a collection of mountain musical instruments of the past and present were displayed in the Appalachian Room of the library. The crisp fall air and the mountain "backdrop" of the amphitheatre set the perfect stage for another special event — a puppet show written and presented by Madison County young people and coordinated by Deborah Compton, Third Century Artist for the NC Arts Council. While browsing among the crafts exhibits, festival-goers were also treated to impromptu concerts and to the products of homecooking demonstrations. The activities held in Moore Auditorium Saturday night topped off the weekend, resounding the festival theme of mountain culture.

UPPER: A mountain woman demonstrates the craft of broom making.
LOWER: "Carding" wool takes much practice as well as a good deal of patience.





UPPER L: The fine art of dulcimer playing is demonstrated. LOWER L: Lunsford activities give mountain men a chance to practice their "fiddle picking." RIGHT: Needle and thread provide a day of enjoyable work for this mountain woman.

HOMECOMING

Theme of Nostalgia Highlights Week-long Autumn Festivities

An enthusiastic student body enjoyed Homecoming 1976 more than ever before. Much painful, patient and rewarding work was done by many to fulfill the nostalgic homecoming theme, "The Way We Were." Decorative dorms competed to see who best showed homecoming spirit; classes and various social organizations spent long hours preparing a pre-game parade that would provoke memories of the past. Faculty and administration participated in many of the events, even joining the homecoming parade. Adding to the festivities were a variety of activities, including a cartoon festival, a powder puff football game, and a homecoming dance that featured Bill Deal and the Rhondells. Although Mars Hill lost to Carson-Newman, the homecoming football game was enjoyed by all. Foremost, however, was the strong collegiate spirit demonstrated by students, faculty, and alumni alike, making "The Way We Were" a truly memorable experience.

UPPER R: Juniors Buzzy Scott and Barbara Huff are recognized as the 1976 Homecoming Couple during halftime. LOWER R: Smiling with joy, Rhonda Bryant accepts the honor of football queen.





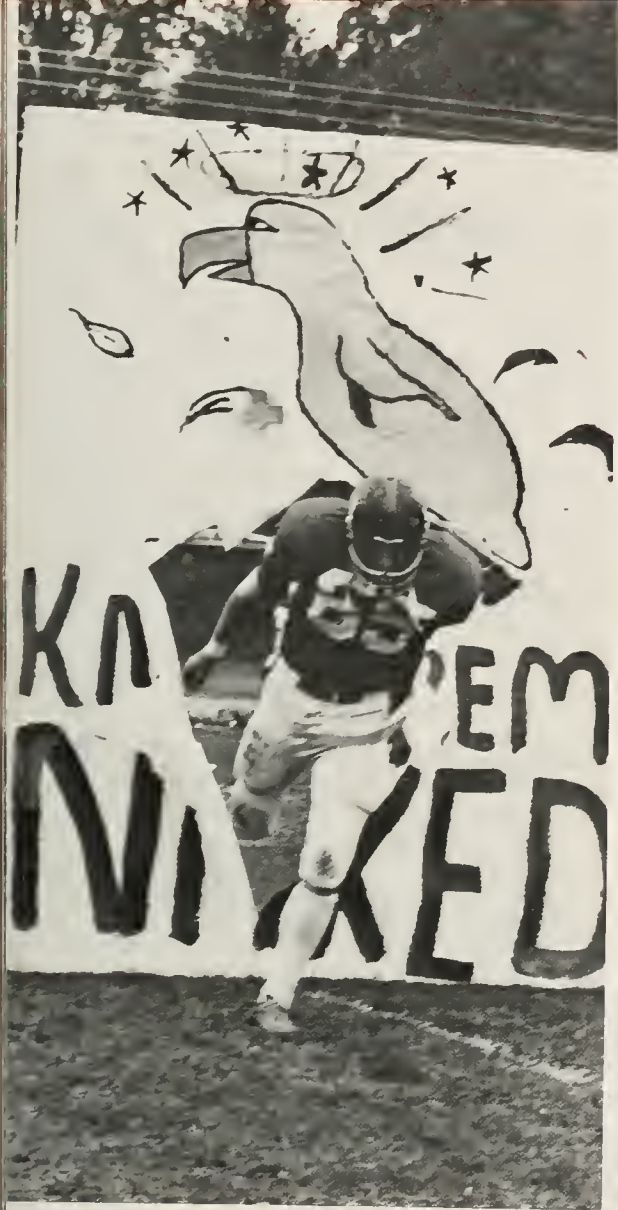
UPPER L: A smiling Mars Hill Lion waves good-bye as homecoming parade begins. LEFT: Mickey McLaughlin, President Bentley, and Kim Allen await halftime homecoming activities. RIGHT: Musicians Wayne Pressley, Jimmy D. Wallace, Wayne Bowman and Gary Armstrong liven up parade with Dixieland jazz.

HOMECOMING



UPPER L: Homecoming representatives, nominated by each of the four classes, eagerly await announcement of winning couple. LEFT: Quarterback Mark Dickerson rushes with football during the Mars Hill vs. Carson-Newman homecoming game. RIGHT: Dancing with delight, clown Debbie Deaton prepares to throw a small football.





LEFT: A Mars Hill football player tears through a poster of the Carson-Newman eagle as part of the homecoming pre-game events. LOWER L: Lions defense squares off with Carson-Newman opponents as Dickerson prepares to pass ball. RIGHT: Students and alumni cheer Lions' score over Carson-Newman, during the 1976 homecoming game.







VISITING ARTISTS/ROCK BANDS

Artists Enrich Campus Life With Entertainment, Variety

A fascinating variety of artists, ranging from a pantomimist to a symphony orchestra, enriched the campus cultural life during the year. A major highlight for many was the visit of Lotte Gosler's Pantomime Circus, sponsored by the Visiting Artists and Lecturers Committee. Her entertaining performance and informative workshops intrigued her audience. The committee also sponsored a film, "Man in a Glass Booth," several lecturers and helped to bring the North Carolina Symphony to the college.

Several rock bands provided entertainment for many students, with rock artist Billy Joel topping the list. Known to his fans as the "Piano Man," Billy Joel kept his audience rocking through his multi-talented performance of singing and piano-playing.

FAR UPPER L: A performer from the Lotte Gosler Pantomime Circus gives a youngster the thrill of a horseback ride. FAR LOWER L: Sponsored by CSM, "Truth" entertains many with their folkrock style. LEFT: Lotte Gosler strikes a humorous pose during performance. BELOW: Stoneground plays at fall concert.



VISITING ARTISTS/ROCK BANDS





UPPER L: "Piano Man" Billy Joel performs with his group for Mars Hill students. FAR L: An argument ensues between two members of Lotte Gosler's Pantomime Circus. L: During his concert Billy Joel reveals to all his sensitive musicianship through his singing and piano performance. ABOVE R: The all-female band "Deadly Nightshade" plays as part of the Billy Joel Concert. R: Students rock to the sound of Stoneground.



ATHLETICS



Varsity athletics provided an opportunity for those who excelled in physical activities to display their skills in a team effort. Participants in a variety of athletic events brought unity and pleasure to the general college community as well as themselves through their exhaustive efforts. Their spirited play was a credit to the college.



FOOTBALL

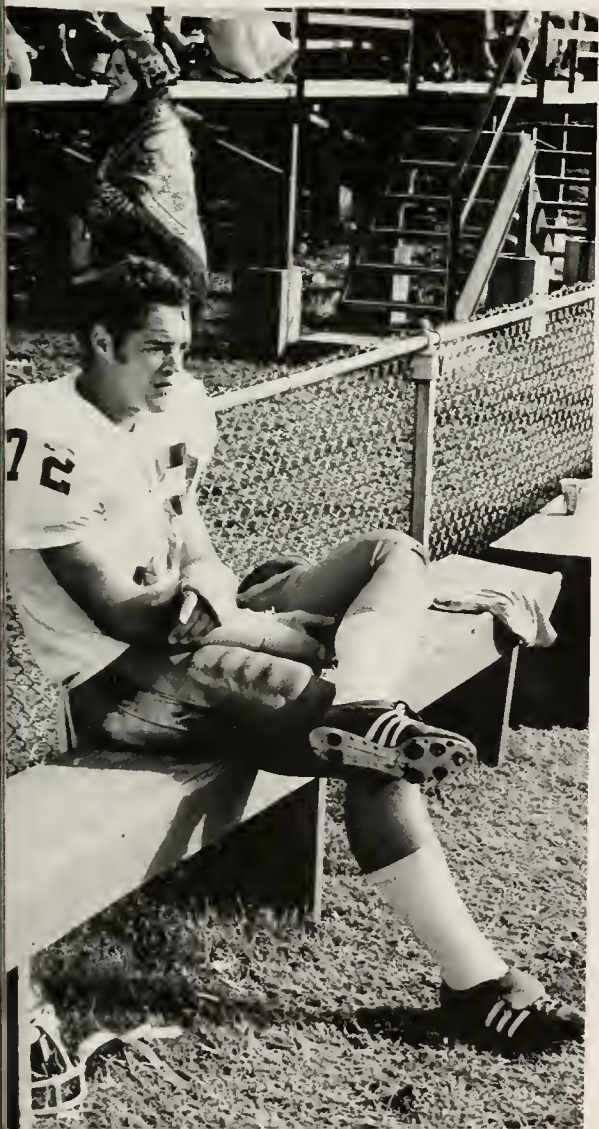
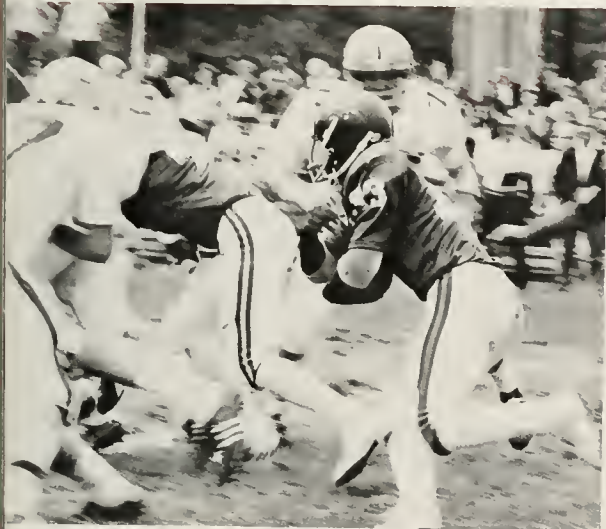
Through Unified Play, Lions Finish Fourth in Conference

South Atlantic Conference coaches predicted the 1976 season to be a disappointing one for the Mars Hill Lions. In fact, out of the eight schools in the conference, the Lions were only to finish ahead of one. The loss of 17 seniors from the '75 season, which saw Mars Hill finish at 7-3, meant disaster for head coach Claude "Hoot" Gibson. The Lions disappointed the critics and ended the 1976 campaign with a fourth place conference finish.

The SAC-8 came into its own this year, only its second season in existence. Known as one of the most competitive and evenly matched NAIA conferences in the nation, three SAC-8 schools made their way into the national top 20. These facts, plus the addition of Austin Peay State University to the slate, provided the roughest schedule in many years for the Lions. To finish at 4-4-1 under such circumstances is a credit to each player and certainly to the coaching staff for a job well done.

Five Lions received post-season honors. Senior Jeff Stapleton was second team All-Conference at his defensive end position. Wide receiver Don Estes, offensive tackle Joe Jordan, defensive tackle Walt Nichols, and linebacker Dan Johnson were named to the NAIA All-District 6 team. It took team efforts from forty-plus dedicated players to win ball games, and that unified play is what Mars Hill students will remember most about the 1976 season.

FAR UPPER L: Don Estes leads Lions into battle against Presbyterian. UPPER CENTER L: During the Catawba game Errol Hill ponders his next play. UPPER R: General William Washington receives the handoff and looks for an opening during Mars Hill homecoming game. LOWER L: In another long day of practice Lion offensive works in a triple option play. LOWER R: Joe Jordan takes a short breather during contest.



FOOTBALL

UPPER L: Barry Jacks (56) and Bryan Teel close in on Elon's running back. UPPER R: Freshman quarterback Greg Hoke (10) directs Lion offense during the Newberry contest. LOWER L: Henry Cain tries to follow blockers down the field. LOWER R: Mark Dickerson looks to hand off against Carson-Newman.





ABOVE: Greg Hoke pitches football to running back before being tackled by a Carson-Newman defender. LOWER L: Coach Bill Mitchell instructs Barry Jacks on Lion defense. LOWER R: Tense spectators watch the Carson-Newman contest.



UPPER L: The cheerleading squad arouses spirit between quarters of a basketball game. LEFT: The cheerleaders jump for joy over a Lion victory. BELOW L: Debbie Poff and Ben Vogler prepare to do a cheering routine.



CHEERLEADERS

Hard-working Squad Arouses Enthusiasm For Lion Teams

Whether the Lions won or lost in football and basketball, the cheerleading team always provided plenty of spirit to boost the players' morale and arouse the spectators. Behind every game, however, lay a lot of work for the squad. Sometimes the cheerleaders practiced five hours a week, often more. New cheering routines had to be learned; old ones were polished daily. In addition, the cheerleaders provided the many banners and posters for each game. At home or away, the cheerleaders attended every football game; they also brought spirit to many basketball games.

Commented Ron Andrews about being a member of the cheerleading squad, "I love it! The squad is a great group of people and we have fun. We have a good time getting the crowds behind the team."

LEFT: Head cheerleader Pam Hood pauses to relax from her vigorous cheering. BELOW L: The 1976-77 cheerleading squad. First Row: Pat McKinney, Debbie Poff, Betty Denton, Pam Hood, Jody Gilroy, Julie Doll, and Donna Turnipseed. Second Row: Ron Andrews, Buck Early, Kevin Turner, Ken Hall, Mark Barbour, and Albert Tharin.





GOLDEN PRIDE

Hostesses Offer Courtesy, Aid To Mars Hill Alumni, Visitors

Making the variety of athletic events easier and more enjoyable for the many alumni and visitors of Mars Hill was the work of Golden Pride. As hostesses representing the college campus, the 18 members of Golden Pride helped to hand out programs, seated the parents of team members, and showed other visitors around during a game. Yet visitors were not the only concern for Golden Pride; they also worked to boost as much spirit as possible for the teams, from football and baseball to track. Since its organization five years ago, Golden Pride, a branch of the athletic department's Golden M Club, has added a warm sense of welcome to students and visitors alike during athletic activities on campus.

ABOVE L-R: Esther Hollingsworth, Secretary; Sheila Hawkins, President; Gloria McKinney; Sally Killian; Bonny Davis; Lib Jacks; Suzanne Moore; Lynn Warren; Jeanne Goin; Angela Ogilvie; Beth Barber; Patti Argo; Regina Josephs; Sarah Tunstall, First Vice President; Sara Lawrence; Cindy Ullom, Second Vice President; Cyndi Parker; Sharon Bradley.



WOMENS' VOLLEYBALL

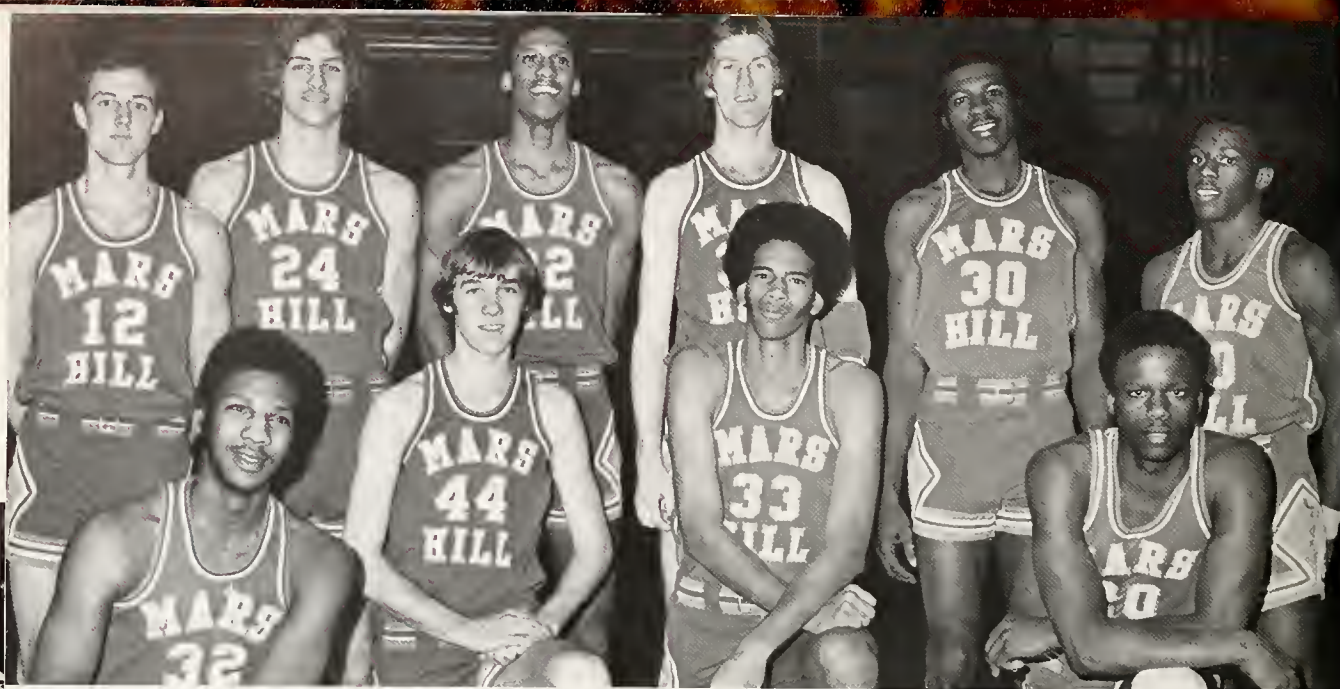
Second - Place - Winning Team Takes Trophy At Milligan

With regular season competition proving somewhat disappointing in compiling an impressive won-lost record, the women's volleyball team did however succeed in being the first to bring home a trophy from tournament action. Coached by newcomer to the Physical Education Department Dr. Veronica P. Melton, the team took second place honors at the Milligan Tri-State Volleyball Tournament, a contest with teams from North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia participating. Standouts Brit Brittain and Esther Hollingsworth lead play, setting up and spiking, respectively, backed by the total cooperative effort displayed by other players.

UPPER LEFT: Joanna Queen barely misses spiking a volley from Esther Hollingsworth during afternoon practice.

LOWER: First row, L-R, Kathy Simmons; Anita Finger; Karen Barnett; Wendy Balm; Second row, L-R, Dr. Veronica Melton, Coach; Endia Foster; Phyliss Scott; Esther Hollingsworth; Joanna Queen; Maria Musante; Sheila Walker; not pictured, Brit Brittain; Donna Huckaby; Catherine Smith, Terrina Hendrix, Managers.





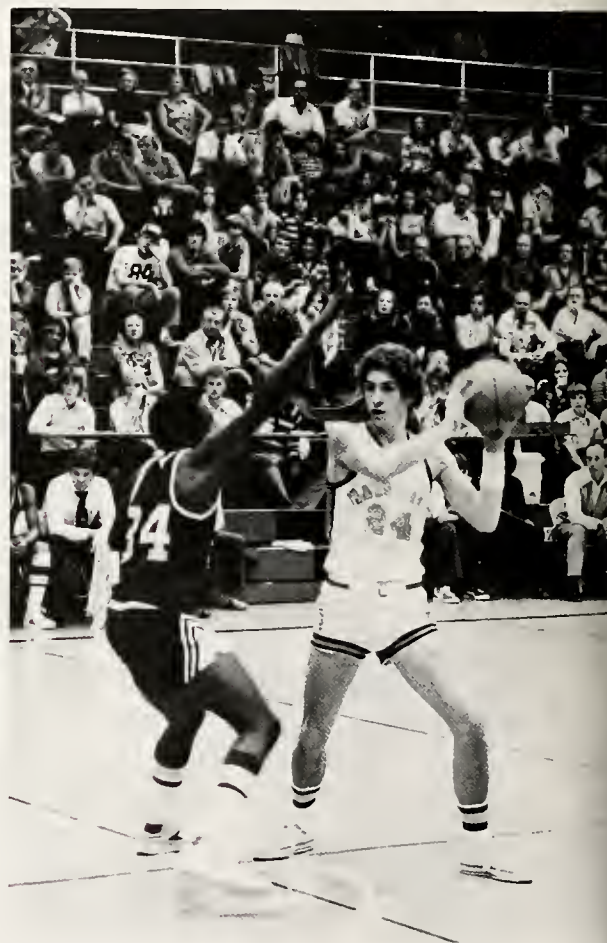
MEN'S BASKETBALL

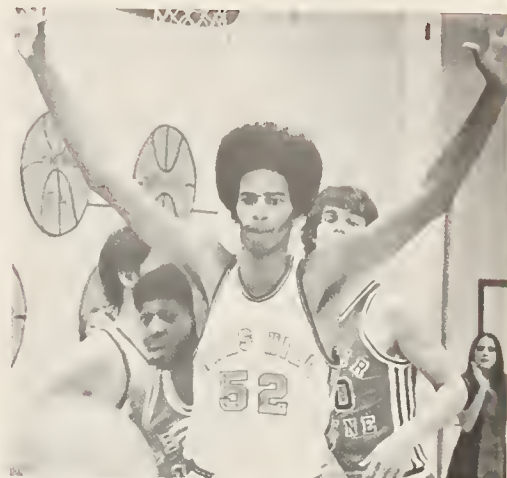
District Coaches Favor Lions; NAIA Powers Prove Tough

Hopes were high as the 1976-77 basketball season made its debut. District 6 coaches, in a pre-season poll, picked the Lions to be the favorites to win the District title. Mars Hill dropped out of the Carolinas Conference and became independent, but head coach Jack Lytton's schedule still proved to be one of the toughest ever. NAIA powers such as Gardner-Webb, Guilford and Lenoir Rhyne were obstacles in this campaign. Then there were the classical traditional rivals, Western Carolina and UNC-Asheville. Senior Jimmy Graves led the way and rewrote the school record list for a Lion team which Lytton called "the deepest in talent I've coached here in seven years." Graves and other young men came together as a team to provide the type of quality competition that is a Mars Hill trademark.

UPPER R: First row, L-R, Greg Simpson, Wayne Miles, Carlos Showers, John Patterson; Second row, L-R, Kim Deweese, Reggie Gaskin, Jimmy Graves, James Hannah, Bridges Hollingsworth, James Allen.

RIGHT: Reggie Gaskin attempts to set up a play against a Central-Wesleyan opponent.





UPPER L: Head coach Jack Lytton and Assistant Lloyd Moore talk over strategy moments before Lions go into battle. LOWER L: Carlos Showers (52) competes for game opening tip, as Reggie Gaskin (24) and Jimmy Graves (22) look on. UPPER R: Showers eyes basketball as he clogs up the middle against Lenoir Rhyne. LOWER R: John Patterson (20), Gaskin (24), Greg Simpson (32), Kim Deweese (bending over) get some warm-up shots before going into action.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Facing Challenging Opposition, Lady Lions Defeat Opponents

Facing a tough competition and living up to an impressive record from 1975-76 were but two of the many challenges met by the 1976-77 Lady Lions basketball team. Once again they opposed strong rivals such as Western Carolina, Appalachian, and UNC-Greensboro; yet the Lady Lions defended themselves well, soundly defeating all three major opponents. With only two games left in February, the record for the team stood at 11-5. Placing second in the district last season gave the Lady Lions new inspiration to improve their playing. With Linda Robinson and Paula Corbin leading in scoring and Esther Hollingsworth leading in rebounding, the girls again showed great potential for the state tournament held in late February.

RIGHT: Lynn Plemmons smashes into Winthrop defense. BELOW L: Lady Lions get ready to foil their opposition's strategy. LOWER R: Esther Hollingsworth, Paula Corbin, and Raelene Spencer warm up during half time. FAR LOWER R: Esther Hollingsworth controls tip to open half against Davidson College.

FAR R: First row, L-R, Cheryl Mann; Raelene Spencer; Vickie McGlothlin; Sharon Bradley; Sally Curtis; Lynn Plemmons; Paula Corbin; Second row, L-R, Claudia Bradgon; Linda Robinson; Esther Hollingsworth; Joy Muse; Jody Self; Billie Boyd.







MEN'S TENNIS

Experience, Fresh Talent Forms Powerful, Enthusiatic Team

With the new 1977 season, members of the men's tennis team showed great potential. Old players such as sophomore Sidney Piosalan, junior Barney Pannell and senior David Qualls, provided a foundation of experience for the team. Newcomers Dan Allen and Steve Wilent brought fresh talents to the group. Under the coaching of Alex Robins, the Mars Hill tennis players competed in many tough matches throughout the season.

UPPER L: First row, L-R, Charles Owens; Dan Allen; John Trammel; Barney Pannell; Second row, L-R, Sid Piosalan; Tim Foster; Alan Clouse; Steve Wilent; Mark Brewer; David Qualls. Not pictured: Sam Thomas, Jim Zimmerman.

UPPER R: With eyes on the ball, wrist flexed, John Trammel positions himself to return an opponent's serve. LOWER R: Steve Wilent reaches high to smash a ball into his opponent's front court.





WOMEN'S TENNIS

Experienced Team Faces Full Schedule; Attends Tournament

Experience was one of the major characteristics of the women's tennis team this year. At least four of the team members had had previous experience in competitive tennis, either in high school or junior college. The girls faced a full schedule with three matches a week. In addition, the team was challenged by new opponents, competing against Montreat-Anderson, Winthrop, UNC-Charlotte, Catawba and UNC-Greensboro for the first time. Finally, members were able to gain experience as a team, playing seven opponents before attending the state tournament in April, held at Atlantic Christian College.

BELOW: First Row, L-R, Claudia Bragdon; Jody Self; Melinda Porter; Phyllis Scott; Rosemary Almond; Second Row, L-R, Dr. Veronica Melton, assistant coach; Vickie McGlothlin; Karen Darr; Kim Maynard; Raelene Spencer; Jo Ann Harrelson; Dr. Virginia Hart, coach. Not pictured: Lisa Hood, Michelle Williams.

LEFT: Jo Ann Harrelson perfects her forehand volley during a practice session.



GYMNASTICS

Acrobats Perform at Schools; Hold Workshop for Students

Students interested in gymnastics were able to learn more about this sport and practice and demonstrate their talents through work with other students sharing their common interest. Sponsored by Charlie Phillips and headed by a student council that made joint decisions concerning arranging performances and workshops, the club was open to any student. Mr. Phillips trained the more advanced students; these students, in turn, worked with the beginners. The group performed during the half-times of several basketball games and for "Lion Safari," a recruiting activity. They also held several workshops for area high schools and elementary schools. A complete gymnastic show was planned as an end-of-the-year performance, winding up their first full year of existence very successfully.

UPPER R: An agile member of the Gymnastics Club swings over the high bar. LOWER R: Flying through the air, a gymnast flips on the spring jump.





SWIM TEAM

Team Increases Membership, Perfects Improved Techniques

Two years ago the Mars Hill swim team was founded with former student Eric Garner as coach. During 1976-77 the team, coached by sophomore Robert Eddins, expanded as old members Tina Pippin and Jo Ann Harrelson were joined by many new team members. The swimmers worked out vigorously several times a week; this hard practice paid off through improved swimming techniques.

UPPER: Seated, L-R, John Stout; Liz Kildruff; Mike Mason; Susan McCranie; Paul Wright; Joanna Queen; Tina Pippin; Standing, L-R, Kevin Jordan; Mary Schott; John Jackson; Jo Ann Harrelson; J. B. Daily; Lucie Matthews; Mike Strickland; Bob Eddins, Coach.

*CENTER L: Joann Harrelson exhibits racing style of swim team.
LOWER L: As teammates practice, Tina Pippin and others rest and watch.*





INTRAMURALS

Intramural Program Provides Personal Fitness for Students

Instituted with the dual objective of providing the student population of Mars Hill College with an opportunity to develop personal fitness while creating and strengthening friendships, the intramural program also served as a recreational outlet and aided newcomers in adjusting to the college experience. A varied program of one-on-one and team sports drew approximately 1200 students during the fall and spring semesters.

Headed by student directors Rick Owens and Joe Mitchell, the fall semester intramural program offered tag football, softball, volleyball, and racquetball. Spring semester saw students choosing sides for basketball, softball, racquetball, and co-ed tennis.

UPPER L: Student basketball teams challenge one another in intramural sports. RIGHT: The excitement heightens as an intramural team races down court to retrieve the ball.





STUDENT UNION SPORTS

Union Sponsors Table Tennis, Tubing, Canoeing Competitors

As in past years, an integral part of Wren College Union's schedule of student activities was its wide range of recreation programs. Oriented more toward those students not ordinarily participating in intercollegiate athletics, and concentrating on unique sports, the activities involved more students than ever before.

Due to its membership in the Association of College Unions of America, Wren was able to sponsor tournaments in sports like table tennis whose winners could then advance to regional and national competitions. In addition, the Union backed entries in Western Carolina's tubing race, started planning their own race for the spring, and sent students to compete in regional canoe races. Even more unusual activities were seen at "Spring Fling": balloon rides, a soap box derby, and a competition similar to the "Anything Goes" television series.

Perhaps most important, however, were recreation programs provided by the Union on a regular basis. Hours spent in the "rec room" will probably supply memories for more people than even the greatest of the "great events."

UPPER L: George Hardin tries his luck at pinball. LOWER L: Charles Whitley prepares to return Kathy Shelton's serve in a game of table tennis. LOWER R: Jane Clements sizes up a difficult shot to the corner pocket while playing pool on one of the rec room's many tables.



PI SIGMA PHI

Fraternity Promotes Fitness, Professionalism, Scholarship

Professionalism, scholarship, and fitness are the bywords of the physical education student organization, Pi Sigma Phi. Organized to increase interest and knowledge in the physical education field, it also served to widen acquaintances within the department. The many different programs at the monthly meetings included outside speakers, skill demonstrations, and banquets. Various projects were also undertaken by the members.

RIGHT: Fraternity officers. L-R, Esther Hollingsworth, Co-Vice-President; Carolina Culbertson, Treasurer; Don Alexander, President; Nancy Walker, Secretary; Tom Coates, Sponsor.



ABOVE: First row, L-R, Rosemary Almond; Susan Vickery; Joann Harrelson; Lynn Plemmons; Sandra Murray; Donna Everidge; Randy Perguson; Don Alexander; Second row, L-R, Maria Mustani; Danny Guard; Sally Curtis; Darius Holtzclaw; Betty Denton; Craig Ellison; June Brendle; Billie Boyd; Linda Robinson; Cheryl Mann; Jean Wood; Lina Culbertson; David Lunsford; Errol Hill;

Nancy Walker; Dave Alexander; Barbara Huff; Bob Davis; Stephan High; Matt Kubler; Terry Julian; Dr. Virginia Hart; Mr. Tom Coates; Dr. Barbara Hollingsworth; Mr. Charles Phillips; Dr. Veronica Melton; Thomas Anderson; Third row, L-R, Don Estes; Jimmy Graves; Bridges Hollingsworth; Ben Wax; Keith Harris; Mr. Don Henderson; Keith Walker; Esther Hollingsworth; Debbie Werdebaugh.



RACQUET CLUB

Faculty Tennis Buffs Organize; Hold Intra-Club Competition

Founded by a small group of faculty members who enjoy tennis, the Racquet Club has grown to include many faculty members and their families. Interested players formerly organized the Mars Hill Racquet Club in 1974, with dues of \$75 per year for individual or family. The year 1976 saw the club sponsoring a males singles tournament won by Jack Lytton and a juniors tournament won by Will Hoffman. A 10-2 victory by the Mars Hill club over an Asheville club the same year was a great confidence-booster for the relatively young organization. Officers for 1976-77 were Art Wood, President; Harrell Wood, Vice-President; and Bill Walker, Secretary-Treasurer.

ABOVE: Vice-President Harrell Wood presents Racquet Club trophy to President Art Wood.

Mars Hill	1976 Football	Opponents	Mars Hill	Lady Lions '76-'77	Opponents
24	Presbyterian	20		UNC-Asheville	71
0	Austin Peay	22	79	Catawba	46
20	Gardner-Webb	23	83	Davidson	62
0	Elon	24	87	East Tennessee	68
22	Guilford	20	71	Davidson	67
16	Carson-Newman	41	80	Shaw	75
38	Lenoir Rhyne	38	72	Furman	63
19	Catawba	15	70	Western Carolina	80
7	Newberry	0	58	Appalachian State	62
			73	Wake Forest	80
			94	Elon	69
			72	High Point	90
			55	UNC-Greensboro	68
			87	Western Carolina	75
			52	Winthrop	62
			57	Peace	70
			82	Catawba	
				N.C. Central University	
				State Tournament	
	1977 Women's Tennis				
	Opponents				
	Montreat-Anderson				
	Appalachian State				
	Milligan				
	Winthrop				
	Lenoir Rhyne				
	UNC-Charlotte				
	Catawba				
	State Tournament				
	East Tennessee				
	Western Carolina				
	UNC-Charlotte				
	UNC-Greensboro				
	Milligan				
	Lenoir Rhyne				
	East Tennessee				
	Catawba				
	Western Carolina				
				1977 Men's Tennis (Incomplete)	
				Gardner-Webb	
				Western Carolina	
				Wofford	
				Gardner-Webb	
				Wofford	
				Lenoir Rhyne	
				Elon	
				Western Carolina	
				Lenoir Rhyne	
				Warren Wilson	
				Warren Wilson	

BOARD

1976 Volleyball	Mars Hill	Men's Basketball	Opponents
Wins	97	Central Wesleyan	99
St. Andrews College	77	Voorhees	75
Winston-Salem State	73	Western Carolina	80
	80	Gardner-Webb	90
Losses	87	Guilford	85
Appalachian State	82	Elon	91
Elon	77	Milligan	75
Atlantic Christian College	86	Voorhees	70
Western Carolina (2)	39	Limestone	28
Lenoir Rhyne (2)	86	Limestone	44
Catawba (2)	78	Lenoir Rhyne	97
Queens College	97	Allen	77
Guilford College	75	Gardner-Webb	104
Wake Forest	77	Central Wesleyan	80
	72	Guilford	76
Milligan Tournament	59	Presbyterian	56
	93	Allen	76
Wins	63	Western Carolina	67
Emory-Henry (2)	70	Lenoir Rhyne	90
Milligan	72	Milligan	75
Maryville	72	Presbyterian	80
	89	UNC-Asheville	86
Losses	97	Claflin	63
Maryville	82	Elon	81
Carson-Newman		UNC-Asheville	
		College of Charleston	
State Tournament		Claflin	
Wins			
N.C. Central University			
Losses			
Elon (2)			



ORGANIZATIONS



For many students, the variety of organizations — from student government to fraternities to the media — offered each individual the opportunity to be of service to himself, other students and the campus as a whole. In turn, the majority of organizations strove to achieve worthwhile goals that were beneficial to the college community.

Student Exchange Bookstore Example of Productive Year

Examination of possible campus improvements, actualization of proposals, and study of current national trends in student government all combined to keep the Senate active this year. Senators studied beneficial changes involving dorm fee expenditures, room change procedures, fire and health standards, and registration procedures. However, investigation was transformed into action. A Student Exchange Bookstore was established to aid students in both selling and acquiring textbooks. Also, in November, members of the SGA along with the staff of the Consulting Services collaborated on Career Day: a seminar affording students an opportunity to talk with professionals involved in 23 fields of interest. Ideas for further activities were explored as President Patti Mills, Chief Justice Hal Hill, and Vice-President Steve Webb related what they learned at the Third Annual Conference on Student Legal Rights in Kansas City, Mo. In January, Steve Webb took over leadership of the SGA as President following Patti Mills' resignation. Members of the Senate not only endeavored throughout the year "to insure both the rights and the responsibilities" of MHC students, but also engaged in an effort to reach beyond the bounds of the campus by supporting an orphan through the United Christian Children's Fund.





UPPER L: Patti Mills and Steve Webb. LOWER L: Front, L-R, Jim Baker, Attorney General; Patti Mills, President; Steve Webb, Vice-President; Back, L-R, Bob Ansley, Speaker of Joint Council; Janice Taylor, Treasurer; Hal Hill, Chief Justice; Martha Kimsey, Secretary. UPPER R: Pam Randleman, Debbie Williams, Mary Katherine Tomblin and Rebecca Jamison study a new proposal for campus improvements during one of the bi-weekly Senate meetings. LOWER R: Senate members discuss ways to better serve the student body.

STUDENT COURT

Campus Judicial Body Upholds College Student Conduct Code

The Student Court was the judicial body on campus dealing with violations of the code of student conduct. It consisted of the Defense Council, Attorney General, Justices and a Bailiff, and the Chief Justice. As the governing body of the Student Court, the Judicial Council was charged with upholding the code of student conduct and controlling the activities of the Student Court. Responsible students chosen by the Judicial Council served as Justices. Chief Justice Hal Hill stated that the Student Court had done a good job this year and was really on the upswing.

UPPER R: Members of the Judicial Council, L-R, Jim Baker, Attorney General; Adele West, Senate Advisor; Hal Hill, Chief Justice.



ABOVE: Student Court Justices: First row, L-R, Jim Baker; Joel Hudson; Buster Dewey; Ken Hall; Koffee Buckson; Hal Hill; Second row, L-R, Billy McGill; Linda Wells; Charlotte Dickey; Carolyn Adams; Sally Phillips; Tim Foster; Jim Boynton; Beverly Cox; Bob Ansley. Not Pictured: Chuck Heffner; Toni Carson; David Morton; Jim Harlow; Jon Sellers; Paul Powell; Carol Picket; Scotty Miller; Carla Bunn; Debbie Todd.



JOINT COUNCIL/STUDENT AFFAIRS

Councils Recommend Changes; Propose Dorm Improvements

As in past years, the various responsibilities of student government were handled by a number of policy-making bodies. The main goal of the Joint Council, a group made up of dorm presidents, was to provide residence halls with new equipment, including washers, dryers, and carpet. Student Affairs Council once again served as the policy-making body for MHC student life. Composed of students, faculty, and administrators, the Council met twice a month to formulate recommendations to be passed on to the president who, in turn, relayed them to the trustees for what was usually certain approval.

UPPER L: Joint Council: L-R, Ann Creech; Kathy Funk; Jim Wilent; Bob Ansley, Chairman; Keith Leggett; Mary Jo Byrd; Joel Hudson; Barbara Hill; Kay Irwin.

CENTER L: Student Affairs Council: L-R, Emmett Sams; Steve Webb; Wright Culpepper; Dr. Mary Ihrig; Dr. Don Gehring, Chairman.
LOWER L: L-R, Hal Hill; Ms. Gwen Fish; Ms. Jane Holcombe; Buzzy Scott.





COLLEGE UNION BOARD

Spring Fling Games, Picnics, Prove Popular with Students

Bringing entertainment to the college community was the goal of the College Union Board. Among the many activities planned by the Board were concerts, the Union Christmas Party, a Crafts Fair, and many films. The most effective of their many projects were the theme programs. One of these, the Spring Fling, was especially popular with carnival games, picnics, fireworks, casino night, and other attractions. Buzzy Scott, chairman, felt that the purpose of the Board was to continue education outside the classroom. The innumerable opportunities provided by the College Union Board assuredly moved in this direction.

UPPER: L-R, Lee Stocks; Phil Weast; Kathy Maynard; Joe Blevins; Bob Kramer; Beverly Cox; Dennis Melton; Patti Mills; Wright Culpepper; Steve Webb; Bob Swan; Toni Carson; Buzzy Scott, Chairman; Sarah Tunstall; Tony Luther; Bob Gray.

LOWER R: Members of the College Union Board contemplate proposals for spring activities.



COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Members Approve New Policy In Board Operating Procedures

The Board for Student Communications this year was much more active than past experience has shown. Part of the increase in activity resulted from complications in the procedures for choosing editors for the student newspaper. To clarify the whole process, board members were asked to approve several changes in the operating policies for the Board. These involved such subjects as the voting of co-editors / co-managers, the appointment of class representatives to the Board, and what type of Parliamentary procedures to use in meetings. As usual, the board worked to assist the four student-run media in providing the best possible communications at the college.

LEFT: John Gullick, Martha Kimsey and John Campbell consider proposed changes in the operating policies of the Communications Board.

BELOW: L-R, Margaret Doult; John Gullick; William Hutt; Martha Kimsey; John Campbell; Walter Smith, Chairman; Donald Gehring; Betty Hughes; Phillip Weast.





MARSHALS

Honored Students Participate In Baccalaureate, Graduation

The position of college marshal at Mars Hill is an annual honor which goes to those members of the sophomore and junior classes who have the highest scholastic average and have demonstrated skills in leadership. Selected in the spring, the college marshals were major participants in the graduation festivities, assisting at the alumni banquet and leading the graduates in the baccalaureate services and commencement. In addition to these responsibilities, the marshals also worked at a variety of functions throughout the school year, such as the presidential convocations and Honors Day.

ABOVE: Seated, L-R, Margaret Doult; Susan Maney; Standing, L-R, Diane Brown; Jamie Cowan; Lynn Greene; Marc Mullinax; Jonathan Riddle, chief marshal; Rex Best; Debra Queen, assistant chief marshal; Elizabeth Whitmire; Sarah Vickery.

RIGHT: Assistant chief marshal Debra Queen, chief marshal Jonathan Riddle and President Bentley await the beginning of the graduation procession.





WHO'S WHO

Twenty-eight Seniors Receive Honors for Scholastic Work

Twenty-eight Mars Hill seniors were chosen to be included in *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities* this year. CSM leaders, sports figures, marshals, and publications editors were just some of the backgrounds from which this select group was chosen. Honored students were nominated by a college committee which was composed of sixteen students and eight faculty members. Criteria for selection to *Who's Who* included students' participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the school, promise of future usefulness, and acceptable scholarship. Indeed, it was an honor for both these outstanding seniors and the college community in general, to have twenty-eight students recognized for their exemplary performance.

LEFT: Sara Elizabeth Lawrence. LOWER L: Wanda Susan Surrency. LOWER R: John Charles Mitchell II. Not pictured: Celia Elizabeth Allen; Barry Bryant Jacks; Beverly Ann Parrish.



WHO'S WHO

RIGHT: Steven Bryan Easler. CENTER L: James Walter Graves. CENTER C: Martha Melinda Kimsey. CENTER R: John Patrick Ferre. LOWER L: David Alfred Qualls. LOWER R: Marc Stephen Mullinax.

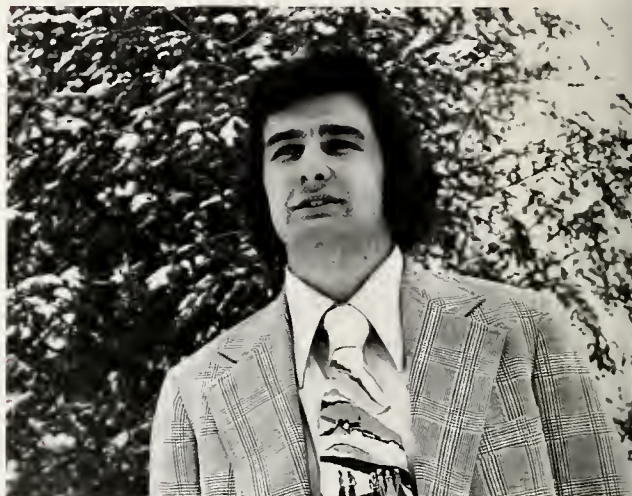
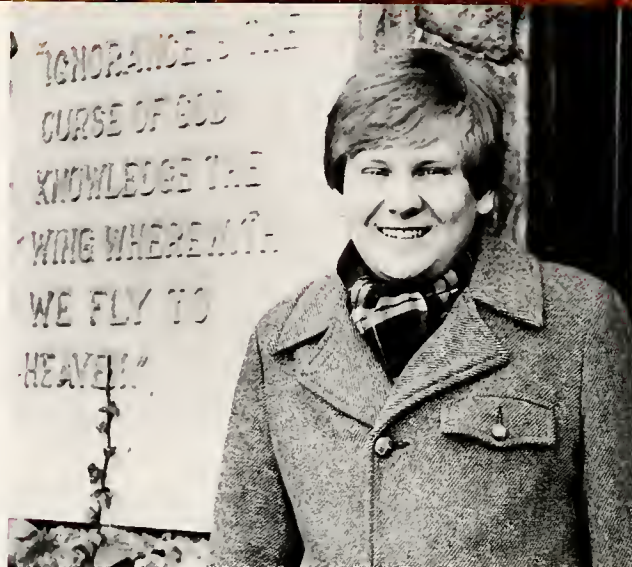




UPPER L: Alan Dwight Bunn. CENTER L: Karen Ruth Christianson.
LOWER L: Patricia Leigh Burchette. UPPER R: Patricia Lane Mills.
LOWER R: Sheila Lynn Hawkins.

WHO'S WHO

UPPER FAR L: Rex Marvin Best, III. UPPER CENTER L: Jonathan Wayne Riddle. UPPER CENTER R: Debra Elaine Queen. UPPER FAR R: George Grady Hardin, Jr. CENTER FAR R: Joel Bruce Hudson. LOWER FAR R: Dewitt Talmadge Tipton, Jr. LOWER R: Timothy Lee Ellis. LOWER CENTER R: Judith Rebecca Bates. LOWER CENTER L: Kim Marie Allen. LOWER FAR L: Thomas Russell Hinton. CENTER L: James Walter Heine.





ALPHA CHI

Fraternity Celebrates Induction Of Twenty-Two New Members

Twenty-two new members, initiated in December, helped boost campus honor society Alpha Chi's membership after graduation had depleted membership in the club. 1975-76 president Kim Allen was re-elected to a second year in that office, while Jo Ann Johnson filled the position as vice-president; new inductee Gary Bridgman assumed duties as secretary-treasurer.

Several business meetings were held throughout the year as numerous special programs. Bill Fowler was elected in the fall to be Alpha Chi's delegate to the national convention in Texas. Also elected by the members were two associate club sponsors, Dr. Jim Lenburg and Dr. Earl Leininger. Ms. Winona Bierbaum continued as the society's official head.

UPPER R: Diane Brown walks down the aisle after her initiation into Alpha Chi as new inductees await their turn. RIGHT: New members Margaret Douth and Ninette Humber perform a Telemann sonata for the initiation ceremony.

BELOW: First row, L-R, Rex Best; Jonathan Riddle; Sarah Vickery; Gary Bridgman, Secretary-Treasurer; Patricia Ann McKinney; Carla Bunn; Rhonda Bryant; June Brendle; Debra Queen; Sally Phillips; Jo Anne Johnson, Vice-President; Second row, L-R, Ronnie Trammel; Rebecca Blankenship; Ninette Humber; Margaret Douth; Marsha Walker; Lynn Greene; Debra Lynn Todd; Diane Brown; Jamie Cowan; Tina Pippin; Dr. Richard Hoffman; Dr. James Lenburg, sponsor; Third row, L-R, Danny Metcalf; Ms. Winona Bierbaum, sponsor; Bill Fowler; Beverly Parrish; Kim Allen, President.





PHI ALPHA THETA

History Honor Club Chartered; Eighteen Members Inducted

This year another organization was added to the growing list of professional fraternities on the Mars Hill campus. The Chi-Tau chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, an international honor society for scholarship in history, was chartered October 12, 1976, with impressive ceremonies in the President's Dining Room. With the induction of Phi Alpha Theta's first eighteen members the organization was on its feet. Several activities were planned to promote fellowship and intellectual growth. Events of the society's first year included a slide presentation by member Marc Mullinax on his trip around the world, an international "pot-luck" dinner, and an end of the year banquet to induct new members.

UPPER: First row, L-R, Gus Jenkms; Jonathan Riddle, President; Dr. James Lenburg; Second row, L-R, Dr. Harley Jolley; Roger Bennett; Rex Best, Secretary-Treasurer; Marc Mullinax; Larry Miller; Debra Queen, Vice-President.



LOWER L: Marc Mullinax readies the slide projector prior to a presentation on his trip around the world.



BUSINESS HONOR/LOGOTHIA

Organizations Host Speakers; Present In-depth Discussions

Logos, meaning study, and *theos*, meaning God, are the words from which "Logothia" was derived. The study of God and religions was the focus of the religion honor club. Almost completely operated by students, the club met in faculty homes maintaining a more informal atmosphere. Discussions and outside speakers, usually from some religious background unfamiliar to members, enriched the lives of Logothia members. A banquet at the end of the year honored senior members.

Founded by Miss Mildred Bingham, the Business Honor Club offered majors further insight into the world of business. Speakers from some area of business were available for panels and discussions to share the knowledge gained through their experience. Alumni who were former members of the club were privileged to attend a joint meeting with present Business Honor Club members at the end of the year.



UPPER: Members of the Business Honor Club, First row, L-R, Rostand Smith, President; Kim Brantley, Treasurer; Lynne Eden, Secretary; Iva Jean Massey; Gary Bridgman; Karin Christianson; Brenda Edwards; Ronnie Trammel; Mr. David Sperling; Second row, L-R, Chip Wilson; Joseph Pritchard; Bill Fowler; Greg Cannon; Charles Robinson; Harvey Jenkins, Vice-president; Danny Metcalf; Joe Blevins.

LOWER: Members of Logothia, Seated, L-R, Gloria Latta, Publicity Chairman; Dr. M. H. Kendall; Gail Wilde, President; Randy Walker; Tina Pippin; Bill Rogers; Standing, L-R, Thomas Sawyer; Dr. Ellison Jenkins; Dr. Page Lee; Cindy Nanney; Dr. Michael Kraft; Karin Christianson; Paul Haywood; Bob Swan; David Morten.



SCIENCE HONOR/TRI-BETA

Invited Guests, Student Discuss Biology in China, Appalachia

Science majors heard a variety of interesting lectures throughout both semesters. In the fall a Duke University professor talked on his recent trip to China, emphasizing botanical facts of interest and showing slides depicting the countryside and the people's way of life. Another visiting speaker discussed biology in Britain. Also, Larry Tucker, a Mars Hill graduate, presented a slide lecture on nature pho-

tography. During the spring semester Marc Mullinax, a senior history major, gave a slide presentation and talk on his tour of the world.

UPPER: Members of Science Honor Club, L-R, Dr. L. M. Outten; Julia Storm, President; Les Caudle; Kathy Martin, Social Chairman; Linda Bossio, Treasurer; Sylvia Miller; Ann Sprouse; Jim Heine, Vice-president; Steve Simpson; Kathy Maynard, Chaplain; Kevin Apple; Elizabeth Bennett; Bob Dean, Secretary; Susan Wright; Janice Taylor, Social Chairman; Meg Pressley; Jerry Morgan.

LOWER: Members of Tri-Beta, L-R, Dr. Outten; Bob Dean; Kathy Maynard, President; Sylvia Miller; Kathy Martin; Jim Heine, Treasurer; Julia Storm; Steve Simpson; Elizabeth Bennett; Kevin Apple; Linda Bossio; Jerry Morgan; Janice Taylor, Secretary; Susan Wright.

CHOIR

Innovative Changes Culminate In Exciting Southeast Tour

Innovative changes highlighted the year for the college choir, beginning with the biggest change of all, a new director. With the departure of Dr. Joel Stegall, the direction of the choir was assumed by instructor William Thomas. For the first time freshmen and upperclassmen alike auditioned for choir; in addition, the ensemble held a weekend retreat in Black Mountain, where all worked hard to learn the year's new music. During the busiest fall semester ever, the choir sang throughout the state, even taping a television special in Raleigh that was aired Christmas Day. Topping the year for the ensemble was an eight-day choir tour, with their travels extending to New Orleans Seminary.



UPPER R: Alan Reed and Dewitt Tipton take a break before resuming their duties as student directors of the choir. ABOVE: Choir officers include Alan Reed, Bass Section Leader; Beth Hintz, Soprano Section Leader; Michael Johnston, Tenor Section Leader; Becky Robinson, Alto Section Leader and Secretary; Dewitt Tipton, President; Jane Edwards, Vice President. RIGHT: Director Bill Thomas conducts the choir through a daily noontime rehearsal.





LEFT: Performing in the Christmas concert, the choir sings of joyful tidings.

LOWER: First row, L-R, Jane Edwards; Virginia Hester; Susan Hensley; Rick Troxler; Dewitt Tipton; Marcus Wiggins; Alan Reed; Larry Moore; Carroll Cole; Suzanne Dover; Martha Moore; Kathy Williams; Bill Thomas, Director; Second row, L-R, Martha Kimsey; Michael Johnston; Jerry Anderson; Tony Ikard; Steve Williams; David Cole; Ken Wilson; Becky Huffman; Hannah Buckner; Kathy Ponder; Jayne Jaudon; Third row, L-R, Debbie Burks; Charlotte Tiencken; Kyle Nelson; Scott Hughes; David Malis; Charlie Boone; Chris Miller; Beth Hintz; Kim Meacham; Suzanne Seawell.





CHORUS

Under New Director, Ensemble Sings Wider Musical Variety

Under the direction of a new conductor, Susan Hensley, the college chorus presented a wider variety of choral music than ever before, including folk songs, classical music and light jazz. Both a fall and a spring concert were given by the chorus; during the Christmas season the college choir and chorus combined to sing of Yuletide cheer. Climaxing the year for the chorus was the performance of Brahms' "A German Requiem" with the choir and the North Carolina Symphony.

UPPER: After a well-received Christmas concert, tired but excited chorus members exit the stage. LOWER R: Director Susan Hensley motions for the altos and tenors to get softer during a combined chorus-choir concert.





MARCHING BAND

Babelay, Moore Lead Band In New Style Of Marching

Not only did the Mars Hill College Marching Lions Band heighten the spirit of fans throughout fall football games, but they also provided enjoyable half-time entertainment for each home game. Led by director Ray Babelay and field commander Jeannette Moore, the band this year entered into a new corps style of marching, emphasizing directing action toward the stands. The band performed a variety of music, often featuring an instrumental ensemble, such as the tuba section playing "When Youba Plays the Rumba on the Tuba." During the entire season, the band, flag corps, rifle corps, and majorettes coordinated music and marching to create half-time shows capturing the attention of the audience.

UPPER L: Color guard members salute while the national anthem is played. LOWER: Blue and white band uniforms flood the field during halftime as the marching band prepares for their show.





CONCERT BAND

Musicians Host All-State Band; Feature Armstrong on Tour

Hosting the Western All-State Band Clinic and bringing music to many through a spring tour were the major activities of the Mars Hill College Concert Band during the year. For the Band Clinic, held in February and composed of high school band students from Western North Carolina, the band provided the young performers with rehearsal and concert facilities. In March, the band went on tour, visiting many high schools in the South. As part of their touring program, the band featured new faculty member Gary Armstrong, performing a work for trumpet, "La Virgen de la Macarena." Closing out the year, the band gave their annual Pops Concert as part of the graduation festivities.

ABOVE: The Mars Hill College Concert Band prepares for an evening performance. UPPER R: Band director Ray Babelay examines a difficult passage in oboist Mark Jones' music as the band warms up. RIGHT: The band rehearses for yet another concert.





STAGE BAND/PERCUSSION

Jazz Musicians Go on Tour; Percussionists Perfect Sound

The Mars Hill College Stage Band proved to be one of the most active musical organizations on campus during the year. In late November the band, under the direction of Wayne Bowman, took a week-long tour, performing at various high schools. The group also brought the sound of jazz to campus students through performance in the cafeteria at dinner and by concerts.

The Percussion Ensemble has steadily grown since its beginnings in 1973. The sixteen members proved to be versatile performers, by working hard to perfect their technique on as many as 71 instruments. With instructor Joy Gentile leading the percussionists, the Ensemble planned a concert/clinic tour for 1977-78.

UPPER L: L-R, Al Gardner; Bobby Ledbetter; Cliff Mannes; Lynn Buchanan; Dave Goiser; John Holmes; Randy Porshia; Steve Harrell; Susan Handy; Jimmy D. Wallace; Jennifer Plemmons; Joy Gentile, instructor; Byron Hedgepeth; Morris Ward; Perry Hines.

LEFT: Instructor Wayne Bowman and his stage band jazz up the evening for college students.





FRENCH CLUB

Rouille Adds Authentic Flavor To Club Activities, Dinners

Sharing a common interest in French culture, this group met on several occasions throughout the year, developing closer friendships and discovering more about the many facets of the French way of life. During one such get-together in the fall, the French conversation class treated other members of the club to a dinner of quiche, fondue, and French bread at the home of Dr. Richard Knapp. Those who attended truly had a taste of French cookery, for the recipes were provided by the head chef, Michele Rouille, a French woman originally from Algeria who worked as a French teaching assistant this year.

ABOVE: L-R, Michele Rouille, Honorary President; Charles Owens; Gus Jenkins; Dr. Richard Knapp, sponsor; Connie Crowe; Carol Jackson; Mr. Bob Abbott; Ninette Humber; George Abbott; Ms. Marian Tisdale, sponsor; Jan Abbott.



SPANISH CLUB

Club Encourages Participation In Foreign Cultural Activities

Spanish and Latin American recipes were featured at the dinner meetings of the Spanish Club. These dinners were a very popular attraction of the club and usually were held in faculty homes. Open to anyone interested in Spanish culture, the club worked to create an interest in the Spanish language. Spanish music was often sung to enrich the meetings. Speakers presented programs on Spain and Spanish culture including a presentation by Lisa Kehaya about her experiences as a student in Spain. Some members of the club took part in a Spanish play for a competition at Clemson. Sigma Delta Pi, the Spanish honor society, was also a part of the larger club.

ABOVE: First Row, L-R, Susan Burd; Dr. Katherine Macoy, sponsor; Ms. Gwen Fish, sponsor. Second Row: Joann Johnson; Donna Knickerbocker; Curtis Crouch, Vice-President.

AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY

Organization Provides Insight Into Black American History

A new organization, Afro-American Unity, was formed this year to provide education for all members of the college community about the history, traditions, and concerns of Blacks. With these goals in mind and under the counsel of Audrey Ray and Dean Donald Gehring, the members of AAU planned a variety of activities throughout the school year to give an in-depth study of Black America. Among these activities were a special emphasis on Blacks during Black History Week, several guest lecturers who spoke on the various aspects of Black life, and rap sessions where many Blacks gave their views on being Black in today's world.

RIGHT: Afro-American Unity: L-R, Joseph Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer; Michelle Brooks; Jimmy Cruell; Carol Jackson, President; Dean Don Gehring, Sponsor.



ABOVE: Members of AGO: Seated, L-R, Susan Elliot, President; Mark Jones; Anna Sturgis; Standing, L-R, Tom High; Craig Cansler; Ron Andrews; Steve Williams; John Psychas.



MTNA/AGO/MENC

Music Associations Open New Opportunities For Performers

The Music Teachers National Association, whose goal is to upgrade the quality of private music teaching, presented several programs on various topics this year, including music therapy, group teaching, and performance. Tentative plans have also been made for the 1977 NCMTA convention to be held at Mars Hill in October.

The American Guild of Organists provided opportunities for students interested in organ and church music to increase their knowledge of the field. During the year Don Bearden, church music instructor, spoke to the organization.

The Music Educators National Conference gave majors the chance to do a more in-depth study of their chosen field. Several speakers appeared before the group during the year.



UPPER L: Members of MTNA: Seated, L-R, May Jo Gray, Sponsor; Jane Edwards; Standing, L-R, Dewitt Tipton; John Psychas; Debbie Hardy; Tony Ikard; Pam Smithey; Steve Chicurel, President; Michael Johnston; Diane Brown; Jerry Mauney; Mike Sitton.

LOWER L: Members of MENC: First Row, L-R, Anna Sturgis; Jeannette Moore; Second Row, L-R, Don Renfro; Mark Reece; Tom Carringer.

DELTA OMICRON

Sounds of Dixieland Jazz Add Life to Homecoming Parade

Through their services in music, Delta Omicron, a professional fraternity, did much to benefit the college music department. Each month the fraternity worked to have a variety of musicales that ranged from slide shows to lectures. In addition, the members participated in numerous campus activities, including sponsoring a float of Dixieland jazz in the homecoming parade. In these, and many other, ways members of Delta Omicron spread the joy of music.



UPPER R: Instructors Gary Armstrong and Wayne Bowman represent Delta Omicron in the homecoming parade. RIGHT: Beth Hintz, Margaret Doult, and Stephanie Lane accept chapter awards from music department chairman Wayne Pressley.



BELOW: First row, L-R, Beth Wood; Kathy Ponder, Music Director; Martha Kimsey, Chaplain; Liz Whitmire, Secretary; Beth Hintz, First Vice President; Sandra Kimsey; Lila Greenlee; Becky Huffman, Second Vice President; Linda Green; Julie Lackey; Second Row, L-R, Annette Elms; Suzanne Dover, Warden; Susan Hensley, Advisor; Jeannette Moore; Susan McConnell; Stephanie Lane, Publicity Director; Becky Robinson, President; Anna Sturgis; Carol Pickett; Cheryl Reeves; Patti Miller, Treasurer; Jerry Mauney; Kathy Martin; Rhonda Norman; Sandra Nestor; Susan Moore.





PHI MU ALPHA

Sinfonia Sponsors Competition; Establishes Scholarship Fund

Service through music was the major activity of the professional fraternity Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. In the spring of 1976 the fraternity sponsored "Collegiate Sounds," a talent competition for social organizations and dorms that replaced the "Miss Laurel" pageant. With the proceeds from the competition, members established a scholarship fund. To bring more American music before the public, Phi Mu Alpha gave two recitals featuring only American composers' works on the program. In addition to their musical activities, many of the fraternity members worked backstage for other presentations.

UPPER L: First Row, L-R, Mr. Don Bearden; Ron Andrews; Roger Myers; Tony Ikard; Andy Long; Edward Kearney, Secretary; Marcus Wiggins; Bobby Burnette; Steve Chicurel; Roger Ward; Beth Hintz, fraternity sweetheart; Mark Jones; Jerry Ledford, President; Tom Carringer; Don Renfro, Treasurer; Second Row, L-R, Mike Buckner; Tim Babb; Craig Cansler; Gary Gorman; Larry Moore; Mark Reece; Jimmy Joyce; Mr. C. Robert Jones.



LEFT: Members of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia gather in the President's Dining Room for their spring "Smoker."



AHEA

Pattern Sale, Day Care Party, Bazaar Top Year's Activities

An active, diversified and profitable year was enjoyed by the 1976-77 AHEA members. In the fall, the American Home Economics Association of Mars Hill College sent representatives to the state meeting of the professional organization. A December bazaar, at which inexpensive gifts and "stocking stuffers" were sold, netted over \$100 for the organization. Spring semester activities included a successful membership drive, a pattern sale, and a party for the Day Care Center. The scholarship awarded by AHEA each year to a Home Economics major also aroused considerable interest.

UPPER: Seated, L-R, Pat McCauley, President; Mary Ann Webster; Jan Cooke, Social Chairperson; Teresa Atkins; Mary Marlowe; Standing, L-R, Barbara Hill; Kristie Shivers; Susan Israel; Sharon King; Chrissy Howell, Vice-President; Cathy Alby; Cheryl Aldridge, Reporter; Lori Smart, Social Chairperson.

LOWER R: Jan Cooke sells items made by AHEA members at the organization's Christmas bazaar.





SNEA

Group Sponsors Lectures To Aid Professional Development

SNEA, the Student's National Education Association, had another productive year. With 90 members, SNEA was the largest organized group on campus. Helping students to move smoothly into the professional world of teaching, SNEA offered support and encouragement to student teachers going out into the schools for the first time. One of the highlights of the year was a lecture by Dr. Betty Segal, head of the Education Department at Western Carolina, on the qualities of a good teacher.

UPPER L: SNEA members and education faculty enjoy refreshments after meeting. CENTER L. Ellen Feldman, President, and Jean Wood, Vice-President.



BELOW: First row, L-R, Yvonne O'Shields; Jean Wood; Terri Smith; Rosemary Broome; Martha Singleton; Second row, L-R, John Psychas; Debbie Towse; Sarah Jane Roper; Lina Culbertson; Sandra Murray; Donna Everidge; Brenda Blankenship; Karin Christianson; Kim Allen; Ellen Feldman; Don Renfro; Third row, L-R, Roger Bennett; Debra Queen; Jonathan Riddle; Chuck Barnes; Julia Storm; Terry Vaughn; Rex Best; Ann Rice; Nancy Walker; Errol Hill; Susan McMurry; Ramona Jordan; Becky Huffman; Tim Ellis.





ABOVE: Editor John Gullick and assistant editors Jayne Jaudon and Brenda Ennis, take a break from critiquing entries for CADENZA. RIGHT: Brenda begins preparing literary evaluation sheets to send to other staff members.



CADENZA

Literary Magazine Expands; Copyrighted For First Time

The award-winning CADENZA expanded this year, including not only the traditional entries of poetry, prose, painting, photography and sculpture, but also adding three-dimensional art as well. Too, the literary and art magazine was copyrighted for the first time, adding yet another professional touch. Editor John Gullick and staff staged an intensive advertising campaign in order to get all interested students to submit their original works. By the January entry deadline, numerous student works had been submitted to the CADENZA literary and art evaluation staffs.

LEFT: John P. Gullick, editor of the award-winning literary magazine, CADENZA, examines a poetry entry.

BELOW: L-R, Regina Joseph; Jayne Jaudon; Brenda Ennis; Beverly Hollar; Mary Gillespie; John Gullick, editor; Amanda Williams; Jamie Cowan; Margaret Doubt; Rex Best; Julia Storm; Jonathan Riddle.



HILLTOP

Innovations in Layout, Content Transform Student Newspaper

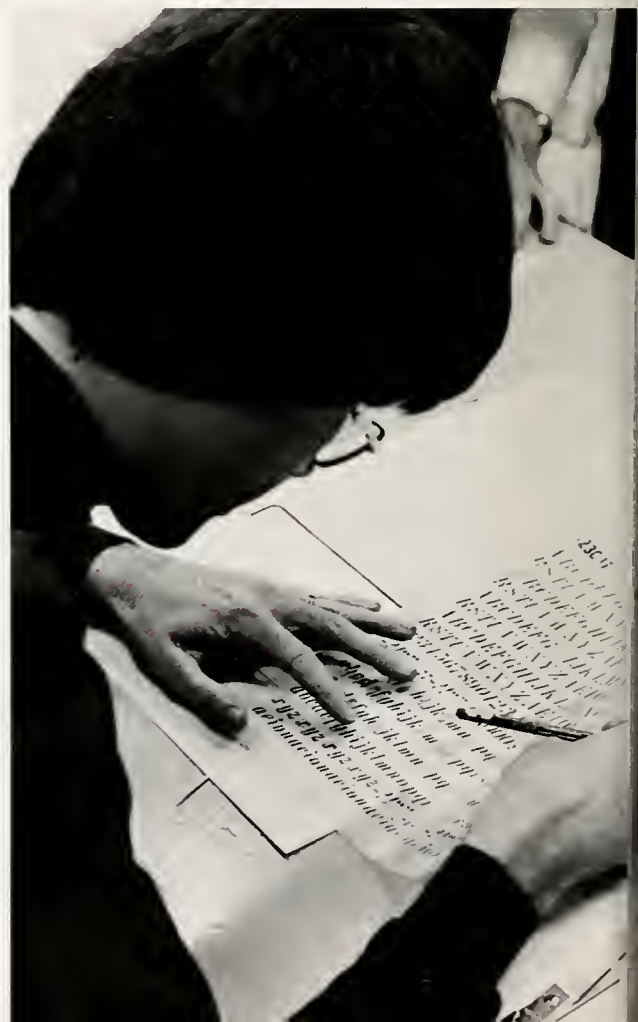
Many changes occurred in the HILLTOP this year. Under the co-editorship of Rex Best and Jonathan Riddle, the bi-weekly paper nearly tripled the content of the newspaper over previous years. New features that led to this increase ranged from book, television, and movie reviews, to a poetry corner for original student works; from around campus features to an original newspaper serial, PAULINE PRATT, PAULINE PRATT. Too, news expansion was accompanied by drastic changes in layout design over past HILLTOPS; a new masthead, three and four column layouts, and innovative headlines and cutlines were just part of the new look.

A hard-working staff headed by assistant editor Julia Storm, copy editor Ninette Humber, sports editor Scotty Miller and photographer Kirk Hall worked diligently to cover major news stories on campus. In addition, bi-weekly contributors added yet another dimension to the paper: senior Marc Mullinax wrote of his around-the-world adventures; 1976 alumna Sarah Aldrich told readers about difficulties in securing employment after graduation; and Michael Johnston presented an in-depth, three-part series on how student fees were spent at Mars Hill College.

Thus, the 1976-77 HILLTOP kept the campus informed, up-to-date, and amused in a way it had never before done.

UPPER R: Assistant editor Julia Storm draws a 4-column layout for "Around Campus" features. UPPER FAR R: HILLTOP staff members Janice Taylor, Debbie Clary, and Pat Huckabee design layouts in preparation for another deadline. UPPER L: Rex Best and Jonathan Riddle, co-editors of the 1976-77 HILLTOP. LOWER L: "Tac-typing" headlines is a time-consuming job according to co-editor Rex Best.

LOWER FAR R: First row, L-R, Jonathan Riddle and Rex Best, co-editors; Second row, L-R, Joy Bridges; Ninette Humber, copy-editor; Julia Storm, assistant editor; Pat Huckabee; Jill Adams; Janice Taylor; Third row, L-R, Trudie Goodrich; Cheryl Aldridge; Debra Queen; Debbie Clary; Martha Kimsey; Margaret Doult.





LAUREL

Emphasis On Campus Variety Makes Yearbook Meaningful

A college yearbook offers the opportunity to tell the history of a school through the unique combination of the pictorial and written essay. The co-editors of the 1977 LAUREL, Margaret Doult and Debra Queen, have endeavored to present an accurate history of Mars Hill College, 1976-1977. Many of the innovations used in the 1976 award-winning LAUREL have been retained, including improved layout techniques, effective copy writing, and a more unified design. Other changes have been made this year, with special emphasis on the variety of campus opportunities in an effort to bring the LAUREL closer to the students.

RIGHT: Co-editors Debra Queen and Margaret Doult discuss ideas for the 1977 LAUREL.

BELOW: First Row, L-R, Gus Jenkins, photo editor; Carol Beasley; Debra Queen and Margaret Doult, co-editors; Sharon Smart; Cheryl Aldridge; Second Row, L-R, Dwayne Davis; Keith Hall, typing editor; Sam Tunstall; Elliott Hermann; Darius Holloway, technical editor; Lucie Matthews; Foy Cassell; Ninette Humber; Julia Storm, copy editor; Jonathan Riddle; Rex Best; Vicki Snead.





UPPER L: Staff photographers Sam Tunstall and Kirk Hall face the camera's eye before taking yet another LAUREL photo assignment. UPPER R: As deadline nears, staff members Cheryl Aldridge and Dwayne Davis prepare copy envelopes. LEFT: Margaret Douth draws the final layout for homecoming. RIGHT: Copy editor Julia Storm outlines an assignment to staff member Pat Huckabee.



WVMH-FM

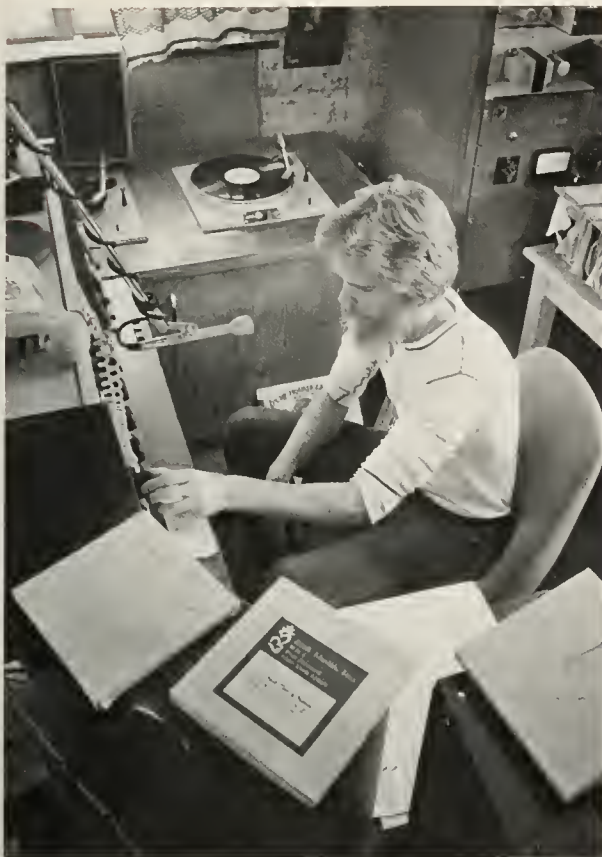
Expanded Educational Format Brings Radio Station Awards

Improvement and expansion characterized the activities of college radio station WVMH-FM. Through the work of station manager Neil Moore and a 30-member staff, educational programs were aired for the first time. Many of these broadcasts surveyed a variety of topics, from education and nutrition to literature and the history of jazz. Elements of suspense entered many students' lives when WVMH aired a mystery series. On the other hand, sports fans were able to hear on the air, live and play-by-play, Mars Hill football and basketball games. A program guide was distributed on campus and throughout Madison County. In addition to these new features, WVMH expanded its musical programming to include jazz, soul and classical music.

ABOVE: First Row, L-R, Mark Moyer, production manager; Rick Parris, sports director; Terry English, engineer; Second Row, L-R, Jimmy Joyce, music director; Marti Hill, secretary; Gary Nance, staff coordinator; Neil Moore, manager.

RIGHT: WVMH-FM manager Neil Moore, with Rick Parris, broadcasts a Lions basketball game live from Chambers Gym.





LEFT: Staff member Mark Williams broadcasts one of the top-40 hits for WVMH listeners. RIGHT: Nancy Ward and Chafin Rhyne get ready to go on the air with one of WVMH's educational programs.

LOWER L: Center, John Holmes; Phil Albertson; First Row, L-R, Nancy Ward; Kathie Stamp; Mike Mitchell; Jimmy Joyce; Steve Lane; Richard Hawes; Mark Fisher; Chris Thomas; Marti Hill; Merry Royal; Gail Rubino; Second Row, L-R, Gary Nance; Chafin Rhyne; Terry English; Stewart Cantor.



CANTERBURY/FCA

Organizations Sponsor Dinners, Revivals During Active Year

Distinguished as one of the largest chapters in the country, with a membership exceeding 100 men and women, Mars Hill's Fellowship of Christian Athletes was also an active organization. Members and sometimes special guests led the group in devotional programs at weekly meetings. The year's activities culminated in Happening '77, a three-night revival featuring speaker Albert Long.

A somewhat smaller but no less active group was the Canterbury Club, the campus association of Episcopal students. Members and friends of the Canterbury Club enjoyed dinners and picnics throughout the year, besides attending the services of several Asheville Episcopal churches.

LOWER: L-R, Robert Cobb, president; Marian Tisdale, sponsor; Richard Easterbrooks; Buster Dewey.

UPPER R: FCA members prepare to get a meeting under way. UPPER C: Jamie Cowan and David Lunsford collect FCA dues.





CSM CHOIR

Singers Aid Spiritual Growth Through Fellowship in Song

Ministry through music was the major activity of the Christian Student Movement Choir this past year. Under the direction of Tim Ellis, the CSM choir provided many students the chance to partake of close Christian fellowship and spiritual growth through weekly worship experiences during rehearsal. In addition, the CSM Choir represented Mars Hill College with a Christian performing group.

The 150-member CSM Choir shared worship in song with others throughout the year. During fall semester the singers performed in many local and regional churches and provided Christmas carols for the special Yuletide night held at the cafeteria. A nine-day tour of Florida in April was one of the year's highlights for members; the group also sponsored and participated in the revival "Can It Be?" and the Albert Long "Happening '77." The Choir indeed ministered to many through music.

LEFT: The CSM Choir performs during "Can It Be?" BELOW: CSM Choir member Carla Bowers sings for Spireno Rally.



"Joy Explosion" Brings Deeper Awareness of God to Students

The Christian Student Movement brought to many students of all denominations a new awareness and deeper understanding of God during the year. Under the leadership of David Qualls, the CSM reached out to the campus in a variety of ways. CSM members met in the coffeehouse in "Joy Explosion." At the beginning of spring semester, the CSM held Spireno Rally and brought speaker Barry St. Clair to the campus. The major event sponsored by CSM, however, was "Happening!" which included popular youth speaker Albert Long, karate instructor Lester Matte, and Juliard pianist-organist Randy Atcheson.



ABOVE: Pianist-singer John Dresbach performs for students as part of the Spireno Rally. UPPER R: During the rally, Harry Blondheim speaks of his Christian experience. LOWER R: Leaders of the CSM were Sally Phillips, Wright Culpepper, Russell Vickery and David Qualls.





LEFT: During the weekly "Joy Explosion" Russell Vickery performs on guitar as other CSM members listen in the background. RIGHT: David Qualls, CSM President, prepares to lead yet another "Joy Explosion." LOWER L: CSM members relax in the coffeehouse. LOWER R: Steve Harrell quietly ponders the joy of life.





CLOGGING TEAM

Mountain Favorites Performed Throughout Carolinas, Georgia

The Bailey Mountain Cloggers this year not only performed for Mars Hill students on several occasions and at the Lunsford Festival but also traveled across the Southeast. The clogging team, led by Judy Bates and Mike Buckner, first lead couple, and Joyce Brooks and Mike Thompson, second lead couple, participated in the Chadburn Strawberry Festival and also performed mountain favorites in malls, schools, and colleges in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

ABOVE: First row, L-R, Mike Buckner and Judy Bates, First Lead; Joyce Brooks and Mike Thompson, Second Lead; Second row, L-R, Barbara Ott; Susan Maney; Laura Malone; Elizabeth Parham; Susan Burd; Martha Westall; Kathy Brock; Robin Hopkins; Third row, L-R, Randy Ferguson; David Mathis; Paul Powell; John Kelly; Koffee Buckson; Roger Crump; Tony Charping.

LOWER R: Cloggers spend many long hours of practice to perfect their dance routine.



INTERNATIONAL CLUB

Bryant, Kehaya, Present Slide Lectures of Foreign Travels

Interest in cultures of other countries and travel experiences of students and faculty alike made for many fascinating exchanges of ideas among the members of this group. Dr. Joyce Bryant of the Music Department, who made a summer tour of Poland, and Lisa Kehaya, a senior Spanish major who spent a year studying in Spain, both presented slide lectures and prepared a dish characteristic of the country which they visited. A Christmas party at the home of Mmes. Coletta Gorski and Mary Noland, club sponsors, highlighted the club's fall semester.

Marc Mullinax's talk and slide-show of his tour of the world drew many from outside the group membership and began an active spring semester. A reception following this program included such delights as the Greek dessert baklava, Turkish tea, and Chinese almond cookies. Other spring meetings included a talk by Lisa Kehaya on her minimester of archaeological work in Mexico.

BELOW: First row, L-R, Jonathan Riddle, Treasurer; Gus Jenkins; Mrs. Pauline Cheek; Ninette Humber, President; Michèle Rouillé; Second row, L-R, Rex Best; Marc Mullinax, Vice-President; Shek-Cheung To; Ms. Marian Tisdale; Dr. Richard Knapp; Ms. Frances Snelson; Dr. Edwin Cheek; Ms. Gwen Fish.





GREEK COUNCIL

Written Constitution For Social Groups Established By Council

A written constitution governing the Greek organizations on the campus was the major achievement of the Greek Council this year. Composed of officers from the social organizations and the professional fraternities, the Council, through its constitution, provided basic guidelines to follow in matters such as open rush and pledging. In addition to the constitution, the Council planned the annual Greek Ball.

ABOVE: First row, L-R, Patti Mills, Delta Phi Zeta; Sarah Tunstall, Sigma Alpha Chi; Barbara Wolfe, Debbie Jones, Omega Kappa Alpha; Second row, L-R, George Hardin, Jim Heine, Alpha Phi Omega; Wayne King, Pi Kappa Phi; Phillip Weast, Student Activities Director; Rick Harbour, Sigma Kappa Lambda; Alan Reed, Phi Mu Alpha.



ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Service-Minded Frat Brothers Collect For March of Dimes

Boasting the most successful pledge season of any fraternity on campus, the brothers of APO were also successful in completing several service projects. Aiding both their college fellows and member of the local community, this group engaged in a clean-up of the Forks of Ivey community (or "cliffs" area), assisted with "Handi School" children, and aided the College Union by selling tickets for the Billy Joel concert and by preparing for their campus wide Christmas party; in the spring, the brothers collected donations for the March of Dimes.

ABOVE: First Row, L-R, Jim Neely; Johnny Goin; Rob Nall; George Hardin; Mark Hoyt; Les Caudle, Treasurer; Randy Spencer; Herbie Teague; Greg McGimsey; Craig Stirewalt, Vice-President; Second Row, L-R, Bill Perrin Siegler; Chuck Wilson; Bob Eddins; Julian Wright; Doug Audsley; Jim Heine, President; Butch Walton; Thomas Moore; Joe Mitchell; Jim Wilent; Phil Gleason, Secretary; Jeff Treadway.



LEFT: Ginger Ross is sweetheart for the fraternity Alpha Phi Omega.

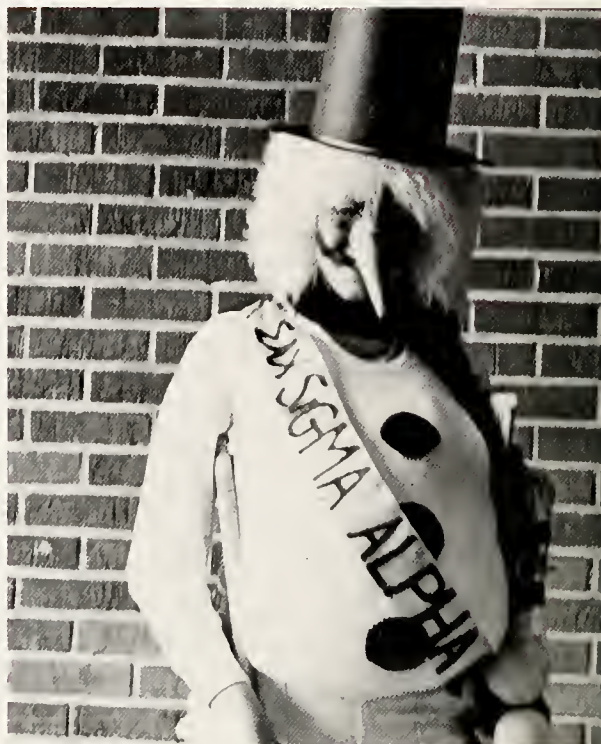
SIGMA ALPHA CHI

Sigma Girls Give Paw Prints Fresh Homecoming Paint Job

Another of the active social/service sororities on campus is Sigma Alpha Chi. Their many projects of the year included "Paint Paws Week" before homecoming, selling the traditional homecoming mums, and promoting school spirit by signs placed in the cafeteria. The sisters also helped a brother organization with various service projects. One of the year's highlights was the spring beach trip.

RIGHT: "Snowman" Phyllis Scott enjoys pledging Sigma.

BELOW: First row, L-R, Lisa Hood; Endia Foster, Parliamentarian; Kathy Ramsaur, Corresponding Secretary; Mitzi Womack, Publicity Chairman; Sarah Tunstall, President; Karen Wingert, Treasurer; Suzan Crosby, Fund Raising Chairman; Lisa Sampson, Historian; Second row, L-R, Esther Hollingsworth; Jane Clements, Recording Secretary; Cyndi Parker, Social Chairman; Laura Lee; Brenda Edwards, Service Chairman; Phyllis Scott; Debbie Werdebaugh; Maryann Webster, Vice-president; Maryrose Dullaghan.





SIGMA KAPPA LAMBDA

Fraternity Increases Number, Characterized By Closeness

Expansion within the organization and service to others were highlights of the year for Sigma Kappa Lambda, a social service fraternity characterized by closeness among its members. During spring semester the fraternity enjoyed its largest pledge class. Raising funds for the March of Dimes and the Heart Fund were major projects of the organization. In addition to these services, Sigma Kappa Lambda held several car washes throughout the year.

UPPER: First row, L-R, Charles Reese, Vice-president; Kevin Jordan; Larry Sexton; Joe Evans; Bruce McConnell, Sergeant-at-Arms; Second row, L-R, Ray Jordano; Rick Harbourn, President; Ernie Howard, Secretary-Treasurer; Mike Strickland.

OMEGA KAPPA ALPHA

Sisters See-Saw For Cancer Society Donations in Spring

Giving a Christmas party for the children from the Handicap School was Omega Kappa Alpha's first service project for the year. As a social/service sorority, Omega Kappa Alpha also sponsored a see-saw-a-thon in the spring to raise money for the American Cancer Society. One of the goals of the sisters is to sponsor an orphan from the Mars Hill area, and the women worked hard all year to make this dream possible. Another of their projects, of a more social nature, was selling carnations for the Greek Ball held in the spring. Two successful pledge seasons, along with the fulfillment of their various projects, made 1976-1977 a very memorable year for the sisters of Omega Kappa Alpha.

BELOW: First row, L-R, Linda Hughes; Rochelle Dunn, Secretary; Mary Lou Layton; Kathy Jayne; Suzie Phillips; Jennifer Hutto; Debbie Jones; Second row, L-R, Dorothy Culbertson; Mary Reese, Pledge Mistress; Susan Robinson; Barbara Wolfe, President; Debbie Davis, Treasurer; Vicki Brentnell, Historian; Third row, L-R, Patricia Britt; Cindy Layne, Chaplain; Paula Parker; Sally Killian; Donna Riggs; Christie Shivers; Sharon Radford; Susan Vandervoort; Michelle Williams.





PI KAPPA PHI

Rose Ball Caps Off Successful Fourth Year at Mars Hill

The brothers of Pi Kappa Phi marked their fourth year of existence on the Mars Hill College campus on February 17. The relatively young fraternity had an active year: two successful pledge seasons were completed; several service projects were put into full swing; and many social activities were enjoyed by all the members. Fall semester archon Greg Clark, along with Wayne King, spring semester archon, headed this spirited group in many projects during the year. After a busy year, Pi Kappa Phi wound up their activities with the traditional Pi Kap "Rose Ball." This year's formal affair was held in Hendersonville and a good time was had by all.

Above: First row, L-R, Wayne King, President; Greg Clark; Second row, L-R, Chuck Ballew; Dean Martin, Chaplain; Dwight Bradley; Gary Williams, Treasurer; Eric Rockett, Barney Pannell; David Mathews; Rodger Roach; Third row, L-R, Lynn Roach; Chuck Heffner; Jeff Morse, Secretary; Bill Pannell; Allen Guffey; Rick Hogue; Albert Tharin; Mark Brewer, Historian.



CENTER L: Brothers enjoy festive Christmas party with area youth at the Methodist Church. LOWER L: Senior Becky Huffman serves as Phi Kapp sweetheart.

DELTA PHI ZETA

Celebrating Their Tenth Year, Sorority Gives Alumnae Tea

The functions of a social/service sorority such as Delta Phi Zeta can take many different forms. During fall semester of 1976, the sorority collected clothes for girls in detention homes, collaborating with the Social Services Department in Asheville. As part of their celebration of 10 years on the Mars Hill campus, the sorority gave a tea for alumnae sisters at homecoming. Mike Faires, sorority sweetheart, and the security men in their van represented Delta Phi Zeta in the homecoming parade. Highlights in the spring semester of 1977 included the Sadie Hawkins Dance and Annual Clean-Up Drive, both sponsored by the sisters. All of these things made 1976-77 a year of excitement and unity.

RIGHT: First row, L-R, Pat Cormell; Pat McKinney; Ann Perry, Scribe; Charlotte Dickey; Second row, L-R, Vicki Thomas; Gina McGrath; Terri Smith, Treasurer; Third row, L-R, Carolyn Adams, Secretary; Carol Yates, Pledge Mistress; Donna Hollin; Ellen Hawkins; Beth Barber; Fourth row, L-R, Debbie Russell; Martha Singleton; Cathy Alby, President; Sandi Howard; Kathy Maynard, Parliamentarian; Fifth row, L-R, Ellen Feldon; Patti Mills, Vice-president.





GREEK BALL

For Campus Frats, Sororities, Annual Dance Climaxes Year

One of the climaxing events for the many Greek professional and social fraternities and sororities on campus was the annual Greek Ball. Sponsored by the Greek Council, the Ball was held February 19, at the Asheville Civic Center. Over two hundred members of the various Greek organizations attended, dancing to the music of the Royal Kings, a disco band from Roanoke, Virginia.

"I had a good time," commented one person who attended the Ball. "The music was good, the dancing was fun, and everyone enjoyed everyone else's company."

UPPER L: Numerous couples from various Greek organizations on campus dance during the annual Greek Ball. LEFT: Jeannette Moore of Delta Omicron and Roger Myers of Phi Mu Alpha enjoy the Ball dancing.





STUDENTS



Students were of necessity a major and non-excludable part of the college community. Their varied personalities provided a uniqueness to each college experience and each college year. It was the individuals who made the campus; without any one of them, the college would not have been the same. The college was, indeed, a reflection of the students.

FRESHMEN

Adams, Deborah E.
Adams, Jill P.
Allen, Dan A.



Allen, Minda G.
Allen, Teresa E.
Albertson, Phillip A.



Anderson, Alison C.
Anderson, Jerome M.
Anderson, Lori J.



Anderson, R. Steven
Anderson, W. Richard
Atkins, Teresa G.



Audsley, Douglas R.
Averette, Rebecca G.
Ballard, Ricky G.



Ballew, Ray C., Jr.
Barbour, Mark W.
Baughman, Jill L.



Beal, Mitchell B.
Beanblossom, Vicki L.
Beasley, Brenda G.



FRESHMEN

Enthusiastic Class Adds Spirit To Numerous MHC Activities

"Starting All Over Again" was facetiously chosen by the Freshman Class officers as their theme song. Formerly the Class of '76, they found themselves in a new position as the Class of 1980. Nevertheless, the same spirit lingered as these freshmen contributed their enthusiasm to homecoming festivities and various other activities. In the spring the freshmen took the initiative in sponsoring a fundraiser and the "Freshman Frolics."

LEFT: First Row, L-R, Melanie Gunter, Secretary; Robin Turley, Vice-President; Second Row, L-R, John Marshall, Treasurer; Mark Barbour, President.



Beasley, Carol E.
Beck, Sherry K.
Bell, Linda M.
Bell, Maryanne
Benson, Patricia L.

Blair, Dorothy E.
Blaylock, Marlon L.
Blevins, Dale E.
Blue, Kathryn M.
Bomar, Kurt J.

Bond, Sandra D.
Boren, Norma S.
Bowen, G. Jolene
Bowers, Carla Y.
Boyles, Bruce W.

Bradach, Kimberly A.
Bradley, Janice Lynn
Bragdon, Claudia E.
Brandon, Katherine S.
Britt, Patti L.

FRESHMEN

RIGHT: Brenda Beasley and Tamara Kay Wheeler take time off from studying to perfect the art of blowing bubbles. FAR RIGHT: Joe Mitchell and Thomas Moore discuss weekend events listed in "The Announcer."



Bruce, Melinda R.
Buchanan, Jr., William C.
Bumgarner, Tamera S.
Bunch, Frances L.
Burks, Debra L.

Burleson, Drema J.
Butcher, James F.
Caldwell, Joyce A.
Campbell, Cathy C.
Campbell, S. Lynn

Campbell, Teresa A.
Carter, Barbara A.
Carter, Robert C.
Chandler, Kathy E.
Chapman, William B.

Chenoweth, Jennifer B.
Clapp, Sarah E.
Cline, Vicki L.
Coates, Martha A.
Cogdill, Debra J.





Coker, Keith O.
Colledge, Bud W.
Cooper, Cindy L.
Cope III, Frank
Covert, Jr., Charles W.

Craft, Cathy
Creson, Gary D.
Cruse, David L.
Culler, Patti A.
Cunningham, Clifford E.

Dalrymple, F. Dean
Davis, H. Dwayne
Dehart, Alice J.
Denton, Mark S.
Devlin, Daniel

Diecidue, Lori L.
Dodd, Virginia L.
Doss, Jamie C.
Dougherty, Eddie M.
Dyer, Norma E.

FRESHMEN

Early, Harold L.
Edwards, Beverly J.
Edwards, Laura K.
Edwards, Martha F.
Edwards, Patricia L.

Farist, Debbie A.
Faulk, Cindy K.
Ferrell, Mark E.
Fish, Ann M.
Fish, Garry L.

Fisher, Mark C.
Fleming, Mary Lynn
Flynt, Henry C., III
Fortune, Elizabeth F.
Fox, Cheryle A.

Frankum, Virginia A.
Fulbright, Vicky C.
Fulmer, Margaret Beth
Funk, Catherine E.
Furr, Karen E.

Garren, Mark B.
Garrison, Kathryn L.
Gaskin, David C.
Gates, Mary Kathryn
Gault, Flora B.

Gee, Martha L.
Gibson, Peggy E.
Gillespie, Mary A.
Glace, Bob
Godfrey, Kathy D.

Goforth, Linda A.
Goodrich, F. Trudie
Green, Carol A.
Green, J. Keith
Green, Karen J.





Greene, Sharon L.
Gulley, Sharon D.
Gunter, Melanie M.
Hailey, Cheryl R.
Hamilton, Brenda K.



Handy, Susan E.
Harmon, Nancy M.
Harrin, Peggy Ann
Hartley, Kevin B.
Hawk, Carole V.



Head, Claude K.
Heitzenrater, Amy
Henderson, Denise L.
Henderson, George A.
Henderson, Shawn



Hendrick, Terena R.
Hester, Virginia C.
Higgins, Dennis W.
High, Steven A.
Hill, Martha L.



Hines, Audrey A.
Hodul, Richard T.
Hofer, Jeanne A.
Hoffman, William F.
Hoke, Gregory L.



Holland, Susan L.
Hollin, David J.
Holloway, Darius E.
Holmes, John F.
Holsclaw, Karen M.



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Hughes, Linda A.
Hunsucker, William H.
Hunt, Roy A.

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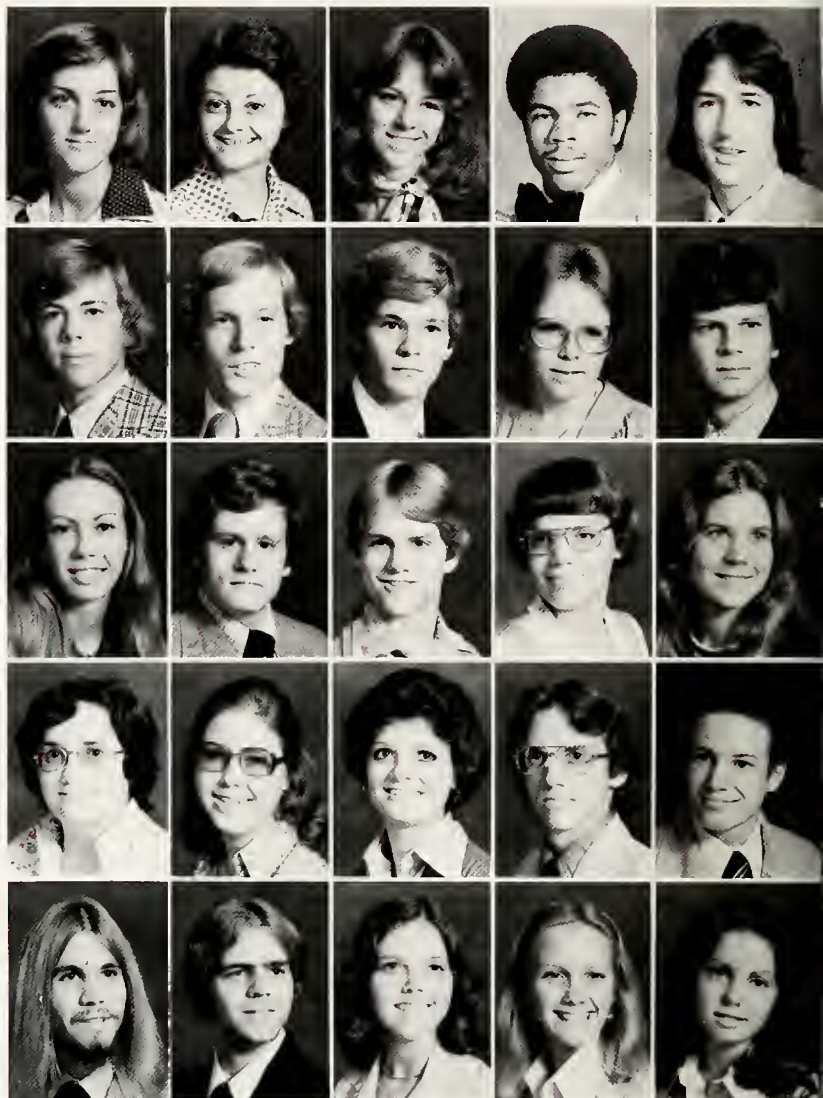
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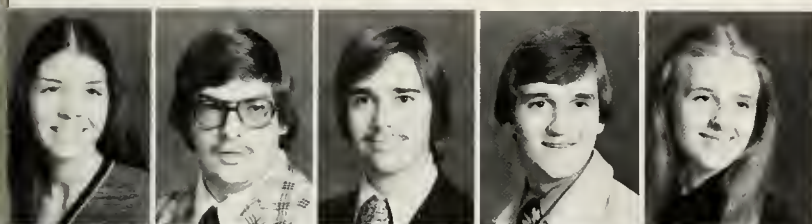
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Long, Debbie J.
Lyon, Nancy M.

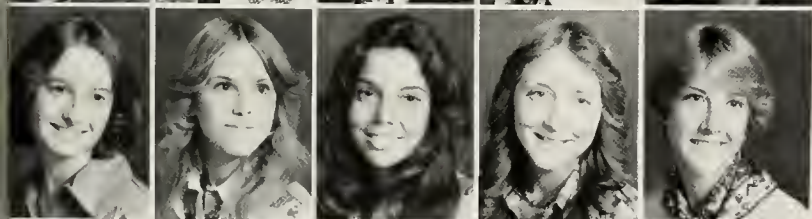


LOWER R: When not in class or studying, students enjoy the relaxing atmosphere of the College Union. UPPER R: Derieck Sellers, Patricia West, and Dicky King get together to prepare for yet another exam.





Malone, Laura E.
Mann, Mark E.
Marshall, John H.
Martin, Anthony B.
Mathes, Julie R.



Matheson, Debra A.
Mathis, Deborah G.
Matthews, Lucie D.
Maxwell, Pamela J.
Maynard, Kimberly B.



McCranie, Susan L.
McDonald, William D.
McGee, Carol L.
McGlothlin, Vicki E.
McKay, Beth



McKie, Elizabeth A.
McKinney, Elaine
McKinney, Karen J.
McMichael, Cheryl L.
McPeters, Kent C.

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Meachum, Elizabeth H.
Meachum, Regina K.
Messer, Nancy J.
Metcalf, Michael D.
Michal, Cynthia F.

Miles, Donald W.
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Miner, Phillip H.
Mitchell, Rebecca A.

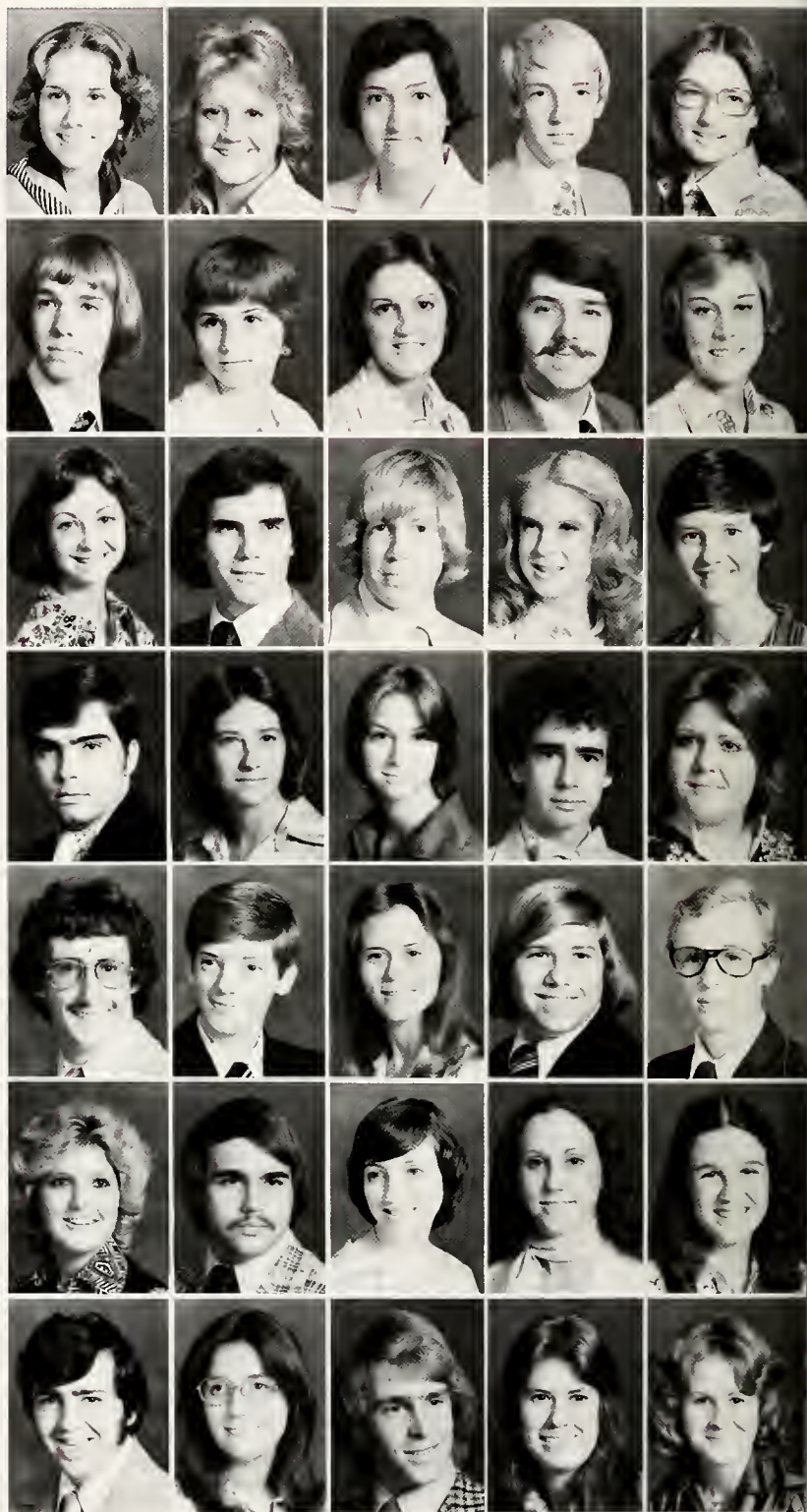
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Morgan, Daniel A.
Mull, Susan J.
Muse, Joy E.

Myers, Bob G.
Naylor, Melanie J.
Neely, Katherine A.
Nelson, Kyle A.
Olive, Martha L.

Orr, David
Overcash, Kenneth D.
Owens, Sherri L.
Pardue, Burt D.
Pardue, Mark W.

Parham, Elizabeth A.
Perrin, W. Seigler
Peterson, Jill S.
Petrea, Gloria Dawn
Pickens, M. Janey

Plemmons, Michael P.
Pless, Judith A.
Plyler, Richard G.
Porter, Melinda B.
Potts, Katherine I.





Potts, Rena M.
Powell, William P., Jr.
Privott, Robin L.
Pruett, Elaine C.
Puckett, Martha L.

Purgason, Randal W.
Queen, Joanna L.
Quick, Janet G.
Radford, Vickie R.
Rathbone, Deborah L.

Ray, Phillip E.
Redfeam, June S.
Reed, Leslie W.
Richards, J. Scott
Richardson, Cynthia K.

Roach, Lynwood M.
Roberson, Houston B.
Roberts, Jeff W.
Robertson, E. Anne
Robison, Patricia L.

Rockett, Tina A.
Rogers, Anne B.
Rogers, Debbie J.
Rogers, Larry E.
Rose, Lynn A.

Royal, Meredith D.
Rubino, Gail M.
Rutherford, Maryanne
Rutledge, David P.
Salley, Sara E.

Scales, Sherry E.
Schmidt, Lisa A.
Schott, Mary M.
Seawell, Suzanne
Sellers, Derieck G.

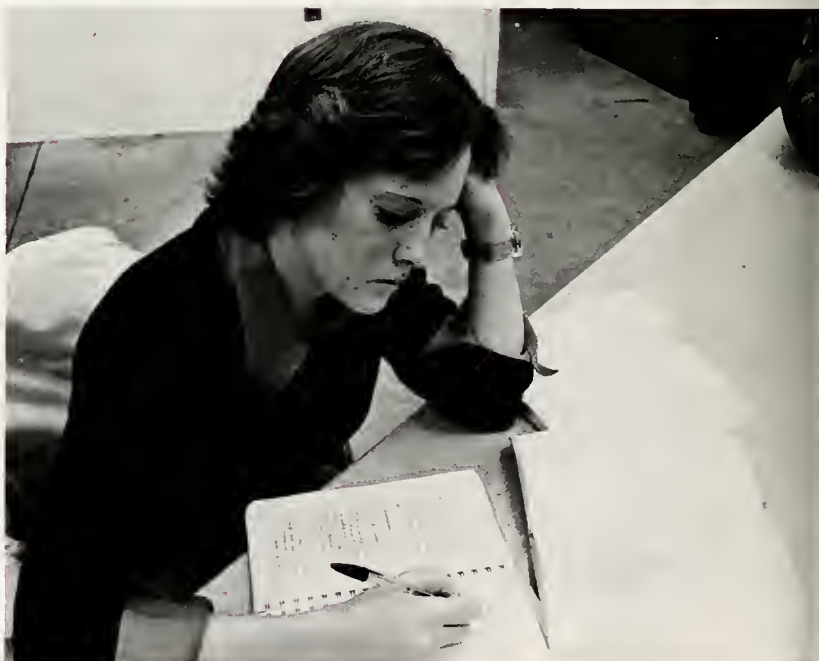
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Settles, Deborah A.
Sewell, Ken T.
Shelor, Leslie K.
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Shore, Elizabeth J.
Shumate, Sarah J.
Simkins, Neal F.
Simmons, David L.

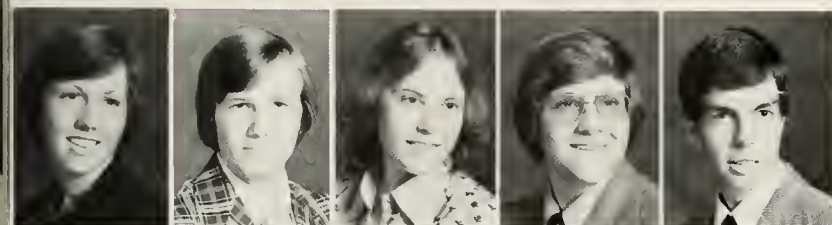
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Sitton, Michael R.
Slone, Harold T.
Smith, Catherine
Smith, Linda A.

Smith, Marla J.
Snead, Vicki L.
Spencer, Raelene L.
Sprinlle, Sabra L.
Sprouse, Paul W.





UPPER L: Christmas festivities begin with tree decorating by Edna Moore residents. LOWER L: Jill Adams spends many hours catching up with studies and assignments.



Stansell, India L.
St. Clair, Arlan L.
Stigall, Jenny Lynn
Stocks, Thomas F.
Stout, John A.



Strole, Rebecca J.
Stubbs, Barbara A.
Summers, Nanette M.
Taylor, Sandra L.
Terrell, Linda L.



Terry, Cam
Tew, Stan T.
Tharin, Albert T.
Thomas, Chris R.
Thomas, Lillian J.



Thompson, Susan G.
Thornburg, D. Calvin
Trantham, Linda M.
Treadway, Debbie
Tunstall, Henry S.



Turley, Robin E.
Tweed, Pamela J.
Vogler, Benjamin T.
Wagoner, Deborah G.
Walker, Sheila A.

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Wallen, Janet A.
Wallin, Carol A.
Walser, Betsy J.
Ward, David P.
Ward, Morris C.

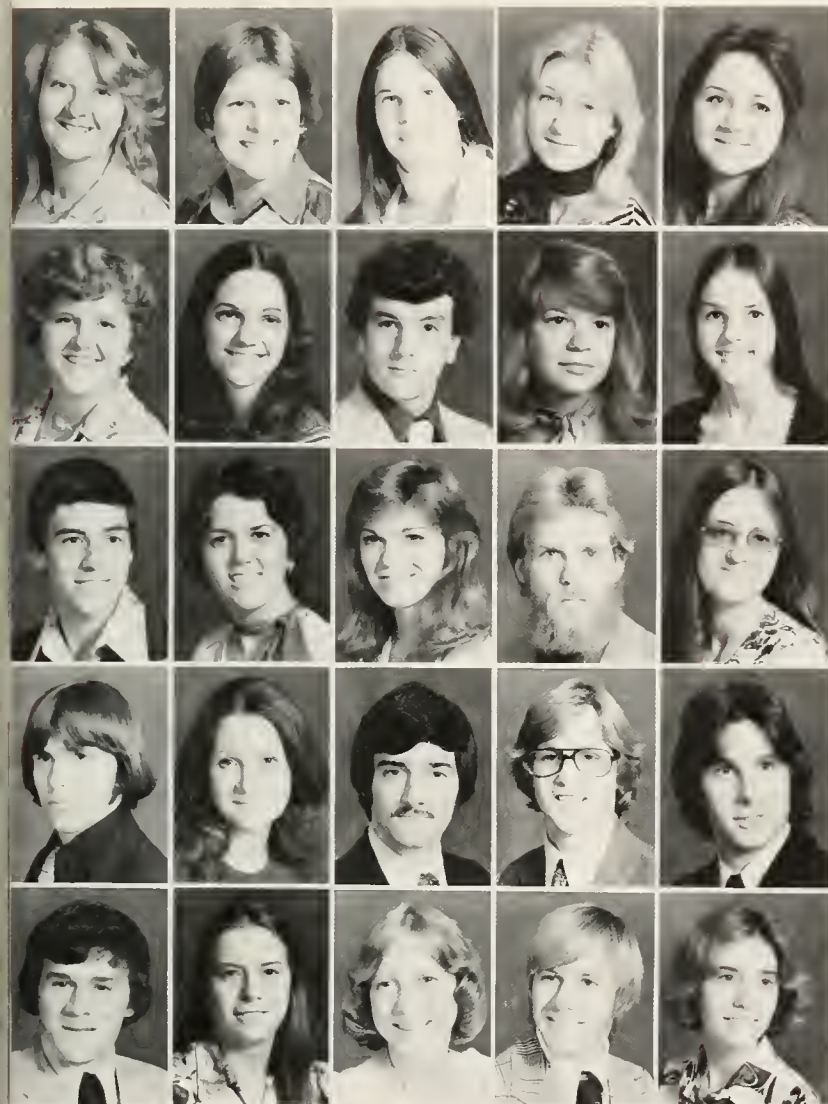
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Waters, Kathy J.
Waters, Kay R.
Watts, Franklin G.
Weaver, Deborah L.

Wenkstern, Susan J.
West, Katherine G.
West, Katherine G.
West, Marilyn E.
West, Patricia A.



RIGHT: For Fran Burch, the latest fashion in earrings is a Christmas tree ornament.





West, Reida G.
Westall, Martha A.
Westmoreland, Mary Beth
Wetherington, Laurie M
Wheeler, Tamara K.

White, Nancy E.
Whitehead, Wales O.
Whitley, Charles H.
Wiggin, Melody A.
Wiggins, Ginny C.

Wilent, Stephen
Williams, Amanda C.
Williams, Katherine A.
Williams, Mark
Williamson, Rilla M.

Wilson, Charles E.
Wilson, Cricket J.
Wilson, Harry M.
Wood, John H.
Woosley, Mark L

Wright, Paul L.
Wyatt, Rita G.
Young, S. Katherine
Zink, Robert W.
Zoll, Cindy M.

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Aldridge, Cheryl A.
Anderson, Margaret
Andrews, A. Ronald



Andrews, Laurie V.
Argo, Patti R.
Aspras, Anthony E.



Atkins, Tony D.
Augustine, Charles E.
Babb, Timothy M.



Bandy, Patricia A.
Banks, Theresa K.
Baldwin, Donald E.



Balm, Wendy M.
Barber, Elizabeth D.
Barnett, Karen B.



Bennett, Elizabeth R.
Blankenship, Pamela J.
Boone, Deborah D.



Boone, Janella H.
Bower, Vicki L.
Boyd, Billie J.



SOPHOMORES

Sophomores Channel Energies To Meet Campus Challenges

The energy and imagination of the Sophomore Class was rewarded by a first place trophy for their Homecoming float. Led by Billy McGill, Bonnie Shaw, and Ellen Peterson, the class also co-sponsored the Halloween Carnival and the Spook House.

Conscious of a responsibility to the campus, sophomores sat on the Senate, the SGA, and the Student Court. Through student contributions, the sophomores also sponsored a child through the Christian Children's Fund.

LEFT: L-R, Ellen Peterson, Secretary; Billy McGill, President; Bonnie Shaw, Vice-president.



Bradley, Dwight O.
Brantley, Kim G.
Bridger, Cynthia L.
Bridges, Debra D.
Brooks, Joyce W.

Brown, Melinda A.
Buckner, Michael J.
Bumgarner, Glenda G.
Burd, Susan D.
Burnett, Robert W.

Cansler, Craig P.
Carr, Thomas D.
Caudle, Lester C., III
Charping, Tony L.
Clements, Jane A.

Conner, Deborah A.
Cooke, Jan A.
Corbin, Paula A.
Corbin, Virginia A.
Cox, Beverly R.

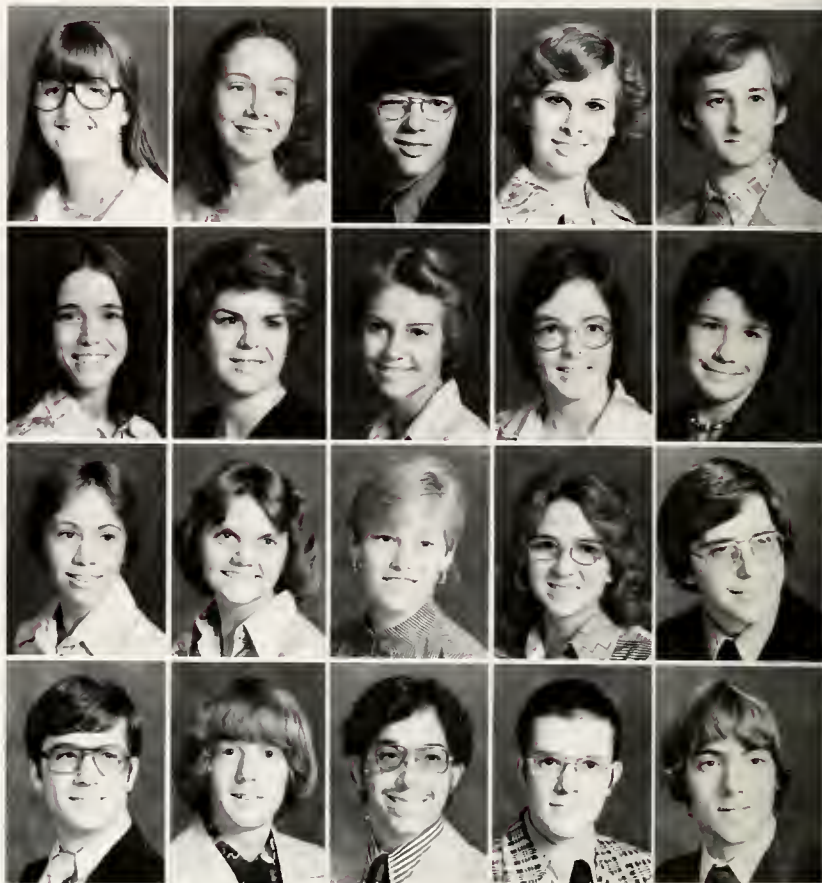
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Creasman, Anita R.
Crowe, Connie L.
Crump, Roger D.
Culbertson, Dorothy N.
Culpepper, Wright A.

Curtis, Sarah J.
Daniels, Anna C.
Davenport, Rebecca L.
Davidson, Teresa G.
Davis, Bonny L.

Dean, Marcia E.
Denton, Betty J.
Doll, Julie A.
Douglas, Jan M.
Dowdle, Claude M.

Driver, Joseph T., Jr.
Duke, Mark S.
Dunn, Bart H.
Easterbrooks, Richard B.
Eddins, Robert E.





FAR L: Ron Andrews picks up his "mug shot" from Mrs. Owens. CENTER: After a busy day in lab, students scurry from Wall. LEFT: Happiness to Becky Davenport and Wendy Balm is Friday afternoon and no more classes.



Eden, Donna L.
Eichling, Suzanne J.



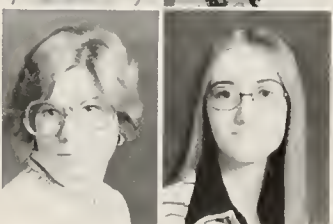
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English, Terry M.



Evans, Joseph O.
Evans, Virginia E.



Fleri, Kathryn M.
Flynn, Rodney K.



Foster, Endia L.
Foutes, Patti G.

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UPPER R: Practicing for the halftime show, John Wood, Richard Plyler, Anthony Martin, and Cheryl Reeves rehearse the "Alma Mater." LOWER R: Laurel staff photographer Kirk Hall eyes another subject for his lens.



Franklin, Shirley L.
Friedrich, Wanda M.
Gallagher, Terrance A.
Gentile, Teri G.
George, Rebecca A.



Gillespie, Tamya D.
Glenn, Jacque M.
Greene, Daniel L.
Greene, Eva M.
Greene, Linda S.



Guffey, Allen D.
Hall, Daniel K.
Hall, Keith W.
Hall, Nancy L.
Hamilton, Sandee D.



Harrell, Stephen A.
Harris, Christine M.
Haywood, Sarah J.
Hedgepeth, Tommy O.
Henderson, Randall P., Jr.





Hensley, James F.
Hermann, Elliott L.



Hester, Grady D.
Hill, Barbara G.



Hill, Tyrone D.
Hinton, Karen L.



Hogue, Joseph R.
Holliday, Marica E.



Holmes, Christie P.
Hood, Lisa C.



Hopson, Robin J.
Home, Thomas J.



Howell, Niles D.
Hughes, Robert A.

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Huneycutt, Lynne B.
Icenhower, Donald M.
Jacks, Elizabeth D.
Jackson, Kathy F.
James, Charles A.

Jayne, Kathy A.
Jenkins, Augusta A.
Johnson, William A.
Jones, Kathi M.
Jones, Mark C.

Jordan, Kevin L.
Jordan, Susan A.
Joseph, Regina J.
Joyce, Jimmy G.
Kilduff, Elizabeth A.

Killian, Sally R.
King, Allen W.
King, Sally A.
Koerber, Marvin A.
Lackey, Julie L.



RIGHT: Preparing tempting morsels finds Bonnie Davis, Sue Eichling and Marcia Dean spending long hours in home economics class.
UPPER C: A sunny day provides Tim Babb an excuse to get out of the practice rooms in Moore and into the out-of-doors for flute practice.
FARR: While her horse is grazing, Endia Foster enjoys the fall landscape.





Lawing, Barry A.
Laws, Tillie A.
Layne, Cindy
Ledford, Rebecca D.
Lee, Laura A.



Leonard, Joseph C., II
Lewis, Tammie F.
Lineberger, Mary Anne
Litaker, Michael E.
Little, Dino B.



Long, Charles A.
Luther, Tony C.
Maennle, Steven C.
Maness, Clifford J.
Martin, Susan E.



Mason, Michael K.
Massey, Iva J.
Mathis, David M.
McCauley, Pat A.
McConnell, Bruce



McConnell, Susan A.
McCoy, Roxann A.
McCroskey, Annette
McGee, Sarah
McGill, William E.

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McKenzie, Karen R.
McKinney, Gloria L.
McKinnon, Chris H.
Miller, Kimberly K.
Miller, Silvia R.

Monteith, Phil E.
Moore, Jeanette A.
Moore, Susan D.
Moore, Suzanne
Moore, W. Timothy

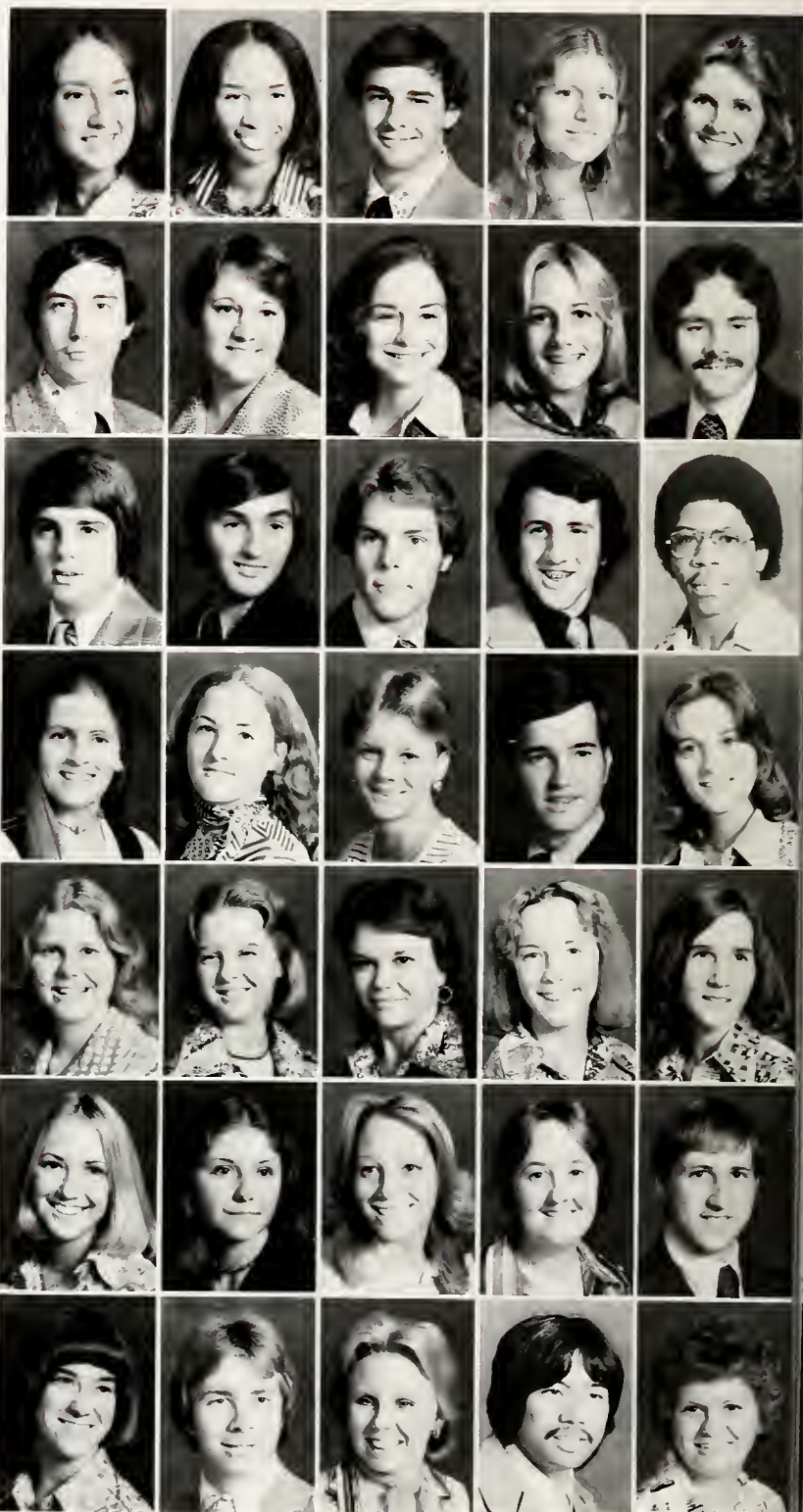
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Moser, Lawrence E.

Mulchi, Doreen L.
Mulder, Gail M.
Mullis, D. Kay
Myers, Roger H.
Nantz, Annette P.

Nester, Sandra J.
Norman, Rhonda D.
Norton, Rita F.
Ogilvie, Angela K.
Okain, Ginger M.

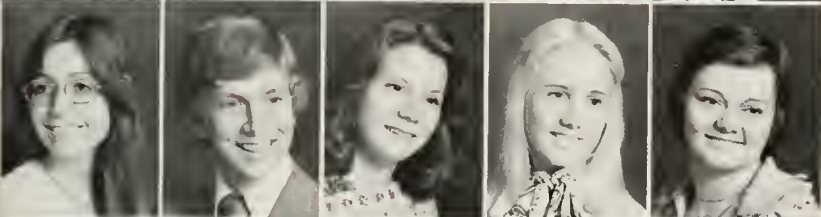
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Piosalan, Sid A.
Plemmons, Cheryl L.





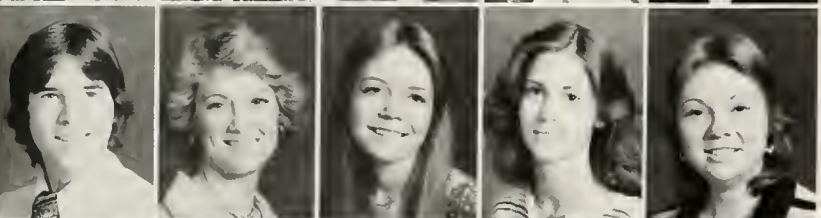
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 Proffitt, Bobby D.
 Radford, Sharon L.



Ramsey, Deborah K.
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 Randleman, Pamela L.
 Ramsaur, Cathy L.
 Reeves, Cheryl D.



Rice, Alan R.
 Rice, Clayton D.
 Robertson, Julia D.
 Robinson, Diane S.
 Robinson, Randy B.



Rockett, Eric R.
 Ross, Virginia C.
 Russell, Debra K.
 Scheffler, Lee Ann
 Scott, Amy S.



Scott, Phyllis E.
 Sellers, Jack
 Shaw, Bonnie L.
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 Simmons, Kathy



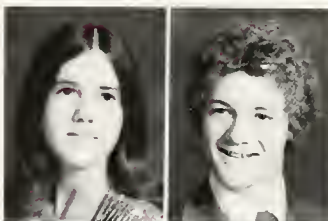
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 Sizemore, Mirlie D.
 Smart, Sharon E.
 Snell, John L.

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UPPER: Glenda Bungarner checks by the SGA office to ask about an upcoming Senate meeting. LOWER: Bonnie Shaw searches for a book she needs for a French course.



Snipes, Amy B.
Spear, Randolph



Stocks, Ralph A.
Sturgis, Anna M.



Teague, Herbie
Thompson, Michael L.



Toth, Linda K.
Trammel, John C.





Treadway, Jeffery A.
Troxler, Rick D.
Turnipseed, Donna L.
Tweed, Marcella R.
Tyndall, James R.



Underwood, Peggy W.
Vandervort, Susan K.
Vickery, Susan
Waldroup, Kathy L.
Walker, Patricia L.



Walton, James B.
Warren, Lynn A.
Weathersby, Carol A.
Wells, Brenda J.
Wells, Linda K.



Wheeler, Deborah C.
Whitson, Monty J.
Wilent, James W.
Williams, Michelle D.
Wingert, Karen E.



Wooten, William M.
Wright, Bonny G.
Wright, Julian K.
Wright, Susan L.

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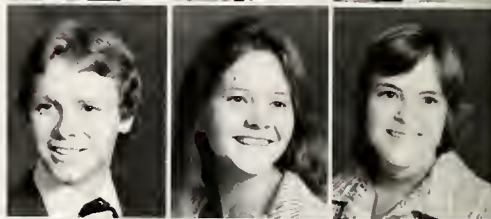
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Almond, Rosemary
Anders, Sharon K.



Anderson, Linda J.
Anderson, Robert J.
Ansley, Robert L., Jr.



Bailey, Michael R.
Baker, Kara Kim
Barden, Anne E.



Belissary, Charles M.
Bennett, Cynthia A.
Blevin, William J.



Bradley, Sharon E.
Brewer, Mark D.
Bridgeman, Gary L.



Brinkley, David M.
Brittain, Brit
Brock, Mary Katherine



Brooks, Michelle R.
Brown, L. Diane
Buckner, Hannah R.





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"Untraditional" Festivities Add Excitement to Prom Weekend

The Junior Class, responsible for the Junior-Senior prom, set out to raise the needed funds for the occasion. To this end, juniors conducted a light bulb sale during the fall and planned an auction for the early spring. President Buzzy Scott led the other class officers in planning a Junior-Senior "weekend" including a poolside cookout at Wolf Laurel and an informal dance. Thus, a traditional task was transformed into an "untraditional" event.

LEFT: L-R, Barbara Huff, Treasurer; Jamie Cowan, Secretary; Buzzy Scott, President; Fran Ross, Vice-President.



Cannon, Gregory M.
Carringer, Thomas V.
Carter, Candice I.
Carter, Neil W.
Cassell, Foy L.

Cayll, Philip M.
Christoffel, Lewis W., Jr.
Claridge, Patti S.
Clary, Deborah J.
Coates, W. Sam

Cole, David W.
Cole, Ronald J.
Connell, Janet L.
Cook, Christina A.
Coomer, Bert E.

Cornell, Patricia L.
Cowan, Jamie A.
Creech, Ann D.
Crouch, Curtis L.
Daniels, Hubert C.

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UPPER R: One of the varied duties of working in the college bookstore is cashiering, as Rob Nall discovers.



Darr, Karen E.
Davenport, Paula L.
Davis, Debra A.
Davis, Walter R.
Dawkins, Danny R.

Deaton, Debbie L.
Decker, Dale J.
Dickey, Charlotte A.
Dixon, Michael S.
Dockery, Charles D.

Doutt, Margaret E.
Dullagham, Mary Rose
Dunn, Esther R.
Edwards, Brenda J.
Elms, Annette S.

Ennis, Brenda L.
Flack, Amy E.
Folk, Thomas W.
Foster, Roger D.
Fox, Marsha L.

Frazelle, Lynn M.
Frazer, Lee O.
Fryer, David H.
Gilroy, Jodie V.
Goin, John H.





Goss, Cynthia A.
Graver, Ann L.
Gray, William Marcus
Greene, Karen L.
Greenlee, P. Lila



Hall, James C.
Hall, Kenneth D.
Hall, Larry K.
Hall, Raymond
Hardy, Debbie Ross



Hardy, George T., IV
Harrelson, Joann
Harris, Rena L.
Harnity, Diane C.
Haywood, James Paul



Heines, Barbara J.
Henderson, Elbert L.
Hibbett, Paul H.
High, Thomas O., Jr.
Hill, Harold H.



LOWER L: Brenda Ennis busies herself with preceptor duties.

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Hill, Steven A.
Hillis, Ricki L.



Hobson, Katherine L.
Hollifield, Milton A.



Hollingsworth, Esther Q.
Holmes, R. Stephenson



Hood, Pamela L.
Houston, Judy A.



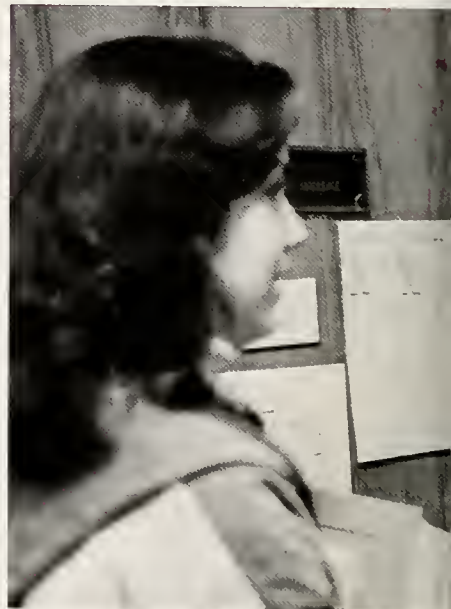
Howard, Sandy L.
Huckabee, Patricia A.



Huff, Barbara A.
Humber, Rachel Ninette



Israel, Susan F.
Jackson, Alethea M.





UPPER L: Having just completed a test, Debbie Todd, Lynn Hall, and Cindy Ullom discuss questions covered on the quiz.

LOWER L: Student Director of Wren College Union, Buzzy Scott, thumbs through a recent issue of the alumni quarterly.



Jamison, Rebecca A.
Jarrett, Chris H.
Jaudon, C. Jayne
Jayne, Kathy J.
Jensen, Carl Peter, III

Johnston, Michael R.
Keffer, Sherry W.
Keller, Lloyd J.
Kimsey, Sandra J.
Kindley, Donna K.

Labdon, Ruth B.
Lane, Stephanie A.
Latta, Gloria J.
Layton, Mary L.
Linden, Richard E.

Madren, Tucretia C.
Maennle, Frank M.
Maney, Susan J.
Mann, Cheryl L.
Martin, Kathryn L.

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Martin, Kathy J.
Mauney, Jeri A.
McCullough, Jerry N.
McKellar, Sam E.
McKinney, Fred R.

McKinney, Patricia Ann
McKinnon, Susan V.
McMillan, M. Hunter, Jr.
McPherson, Foy E.
Meadows, Bonnie J.



RIGHT: In preparation for his junior recital, Ed Kearney spends long hours perfecting his music. UPPER R: As the Yuletide season draws near, Jerri Mauney and Kathy Martin find time to do some Christmas shopping in the college bookstore.



Metcalf, Danny L.
Miller, Mike S.
Miller, Patti D.
Mitchell, Joseph S.
Morgan, E. Jerry

Morrison, J. Kay
Morton, David V.
Moss, Margaret T.
Murray, Robin J.
Nall, Robert J.





Nanney, Cynthia J.
Olsen, Kandie K.
O'Neal, James G., Jr.
Ott, Barbara J.
Owen, Kim D.

Owens, John R.
Pannell, Barney R.
Parnell, William H., Jr.
Patterson, Lucy
Payne, Bob A.

Pereira, Jerry P.
Phillips, Sally D.
Phillips, Wayne T.
Pippin, Tina
Ponder, Kathryn

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Pridgen, Cynthia M.
Ramsey, David R.
Reed, Alan C.
Rhinehart, Janis E.
Riggs, Dona E.



Robertson, Melvin T.
Robinson, Charles L.
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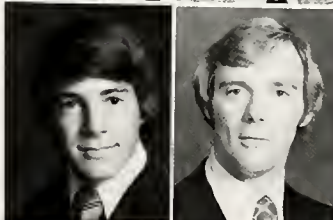
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Sampson, Lisa
Scott, Robert K.



Sellers, Jonathan S.
Sells, Danny L.





Shepherd, Steve V.
Shoff, Nancy B.
Shore, Carol
Silver, Ann M.
Sledge, Phyllis A.



FAR L: Campus housing facilities are aided by the new Dickson-Palmer Apartments. CENTER: Kathy Brock models the latest in wearing apparel in the home economics "Winter Elements" fashion show. LEFT: Majorette Foy Cassell watches the Lions battle for a touchdown from the sidelines.

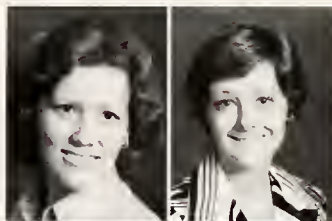


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Stephens, Mary Kay

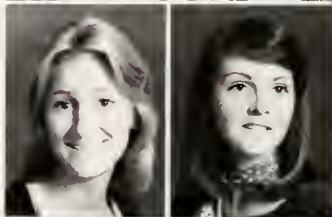
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Talley, M. Jane
Taylor, James C.

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Taylor, Janice E.
Taylor, Robin J.



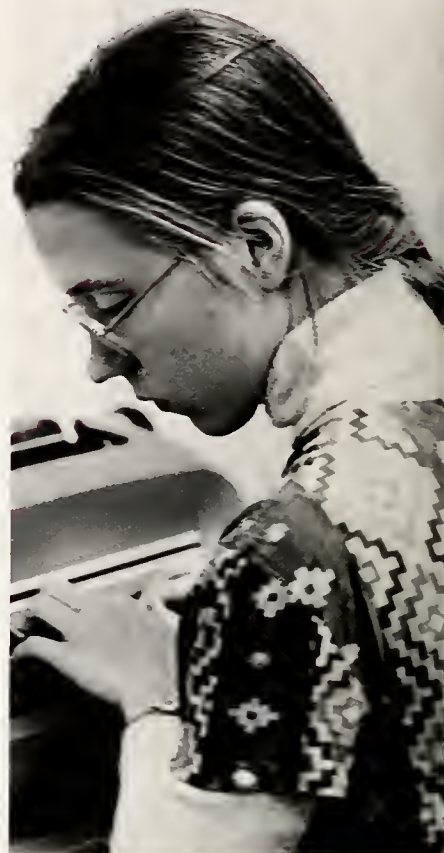
Taylor, Virginia C.
Thomas, Vickie D.



Tiencken, Charlotte M.
Tillery, Thomas J.



Timmons, Teresa L.
Todd, Debra L.



UPPER R: With another Hilltop deadline in the making, Ninette Humber types copy "roughs" for the paper. LOWER R: Warm weather and ice cream cones go well together as Kevin Turner discovers.





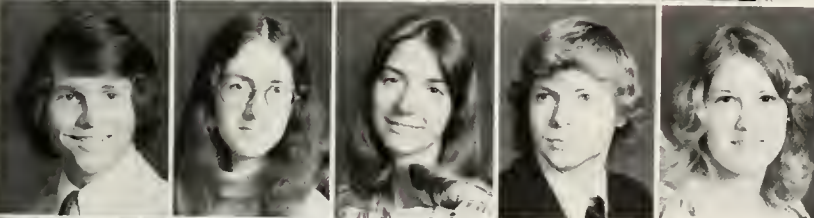
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Underwood, Sara C.



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Washington, William G.



Watson, Alvin F., Jr.
Wax, Ben W.
Webb, Stephen M.
Werdebaugh, Debbie J.
White, D. Rod



Wiggins, Guy M.
Wilde, Linda G.
Williams, Deborah D.
Wilson, Spencer W.
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Womack, Mitzi G.
Wood, Jeanne E.
Worley, John M.

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Abbott, Jan Dirk
Mars Hill, N.C. History
 Abood, Cheryl Lynn
Jacksonville, Fla. Theatre Arts

Adams, Carolyn Ruth
Beaverdam, Va. Elementary Ed.
 Alby, Catherine Elizabeth
Atlanta, Ga. Home Economics

Alexander, David Dean
Verona, Va. Physical Ed.
 Alexander, Donald Lee
Verona, Va. Physical Ed.

Allen, Celia Elizabeth
Fayetteville, N.C. Spanish
 Allen, Kim Maria
Raleigh, N.C. English

Allison, Roger Dean
Mars Hill, N.C. Accounting
 Arp, Lana Diane
Culberson, N.C. Office Administration

Baker, James Leonard
Marshall, N.C. Political Science
 Barnes, Charles Sheldon
Miami Springs, Fla. Art



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Newsletter of Class Events Keeps Students Up-to-Date

It was the goal of the Senior Class and its officers this year to do much more than the usual activities expected of senior classes. Under the leadership of President George Hardin, who implemented his idea of starting a regularly-distributed class newsletter, members of the Class of '77 were better able to keep abreast of pertinent developments. Also, plans were in the making for having a "Senior Memory Get-to-Gether" before graduation so that class members could have one last meeting before their initiation into the "real world."

Altogether, 1977 was a progressive year.

LEFT: George Hardin, President and Sarah Jane Roper, Treasurer.



Bates, Judith Rebecca
Marietta, S. C. Religion
Batson, David Wayne
Taylors, S. C. Accounting
Beck, Nancy Hensley
Asheville, N. C. Business Adm.
Bennett, Roger Edman
Gillsville, Ga. History
Best, Rex Marvin, III
Eden, N. C. History

Black, Belinda Jane
Burnsville, N. C. Elementary Ed.
Blankenship, Rebecca Cody
Mars Hill, N. C. Home Economics
Bogart, Beverly Ann
Cocoa, Fla. Music Ed.
Boone, Charles Leonard
Burnsville, N. C. Music Ed.
Bossio, Linda Ann
Homestead, Fla. Biology

Bovender, Alice Jane
Winston-Salem, N. C. Elementary Ed.
Boynton, James Patrick
Greenville, S. C. Accounting
Bradshaw, Micheal Ray
Hickory, N. C. Accounting
Brendle, June Elaine
Franklin, N. C. Accounting
Briggs, Barbara Ann
Marshall, N. C. Elementary Ed.

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Broome, Rosemary
Maysville, Ga. Political Science
Browne, Frances Louise
Cowpens, S.C. Sociology

Bryant, Rhonda Ann
Fairforest, S.C. English
Buckner, Eldon Kirk
Winston-Salem, N.C. Religion

Buckson, Freddie Emanuel
Gaffney, S.C. Business Administration
Bunn, Alan Dwight
Duluth, Minn. English

Bunn, Carla Ruth
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Burchette, Patricia Leigh
Winston-Salem, N.C. English

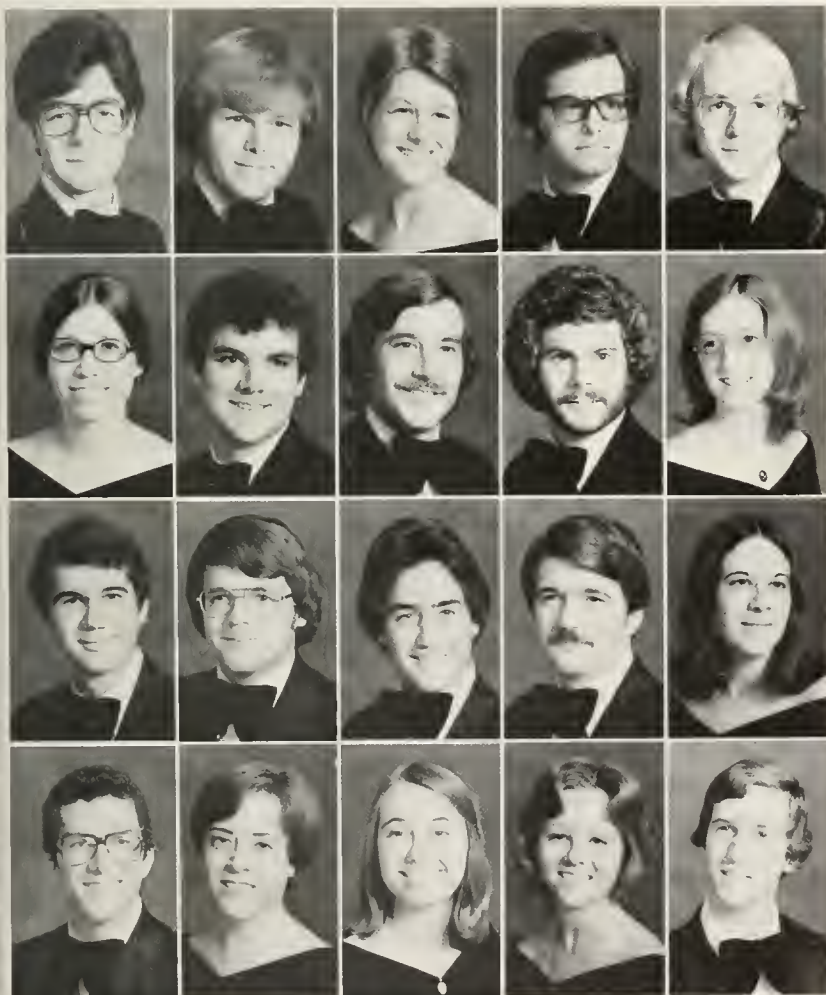
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Waynesville, N.C. Elementary Ed.
Campbell, Gina Sheree
Beth Page, Tn. Accounting

Campbell, William Bailey
Thomasville, N.C. Social Work
Carson, Toni Rae
Hahakan, S.C. Elementary Ed.





LEFT: Gail Maulder and Linda Bossio join together in song at the college union coffeehouse.
CENTER L: As part of Career Development Day, sponsored by the SGA and Consulting Services, college trustee Webb Ellis discusses job possibilities in insurance with Patti Mills as Adele West, Pam Randleman, Wright Culpepper, and insurance agent W. C. Davis listen.
BELOW L: With machine gun in hand, gangster Ben Franklin stands poised for action.



Chicurel, Steven Robert
Asheville, N.C. Music Performance
Childers, David Boyd
Weaverville, N.C. Church Music
Christianson, Karin Ruth
Camp Hill, Pa. Business Administration
Clark, Robert Gregory
Mars Hill, N.C. Accounting
Clouse, Alan Wayne
Hendersonville, N.C. Accounting

Coates, Frances Margaret
Asheville, N.C. Music Ed.
Cobb, Robert Fishel
Kinston, N.C. Business Administration
Coldren, Jeff William
Miami Springs, Fla.
Coram, Albert Russell
Charlotte, N.C. Religion
Culbertson, Carolina Boyd
Holy Hill, S.C. Physical Ed.

Dean, Robert Lyle
Spartanburg, S.C. Biology
Dewry, Edward Robinson, Jr.
Montreat, N.C. Psychology
Dickerson, Mark Wayne
Conyers, Ga. Physical Ed.
Dillingham, Harry Lee
Alexander, N.C. Physical Ed.
Dube, Lois Ruth
Bowie, Md. History

Easler, Stephen Bryan
Hendersonville, N.C. Business Administration
Edwards, Jane Palmer
Leesville, S.C. Music Performance
Elliott, Mary Lynn Margaret
High Point, N.C. Medical Technology
Elliott, Susan Marlene
Louisburg, N.C. Music
Ellis, Timothy Lee
Vero Beach, Fla.

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 Creedmore, N.C. Physical Ed.
 Evans, Carol Ann Powell
 Mars Hill, N.C. Home Economics
 Everett, Thomas Clinton
 Palmetto, Ga. English
 Everidge, Donna Marie
 Greenwood, S.C. Physical Ed.
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 Landrum, S.C. Social Work

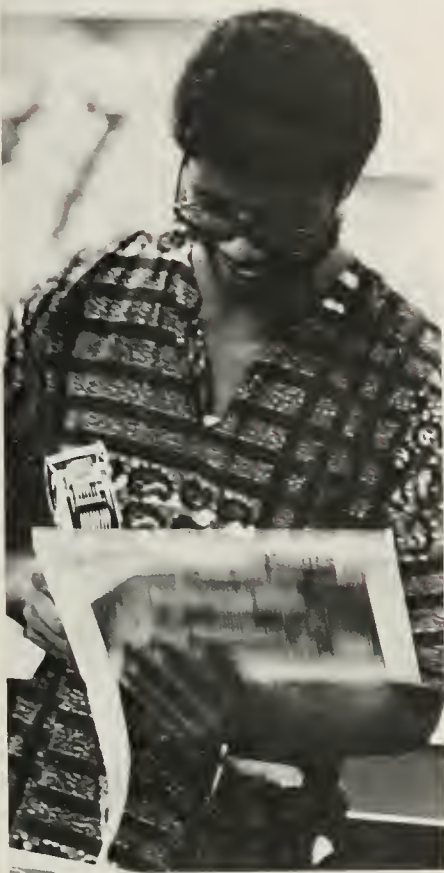
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 Asheville, N.C. Social Work
 Formyduval, Cynthia Sue
 Hallsboro, N.C. Nursing
 Fortune, Jennifer Ellen
 Kingsport, Tn. Elementary Ed.
 Foster, Terry Lynn
 Wilkesboro, N.C. Art Education



Foster, Timothy Morgan
 Waynesboro, Va. Accounting
 Franklin, Benjamin Shields
 Key West, Fla. Political Science
 Frye, Elizabeth Dianne
 Andrews, N.C. Elementary Ed.
 Fuson, Diane King
 Fort Pierce, Fla. Math
 Garren, Mary Lynn
 Hendersonville, N.C. Elementary Ed.

Gilbert, Barbara Ann
 Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Music Ed.
 Gleason, Phillip Bernard
 Palm Harbor, Fla.
 Graves, James Walter
 Cherryville, N.C. Physical Ed.
 Gray, Robert Allen
 Lanham, Md. Religion/History
 Greene, Mark Randy
 Spruce Pine, N.C. Business Administration





Guard, Danny Ray
Salem, Va. Physical Ed.
Cullick, John Pierce
Greenville, S.C. Art



Gunter, Terry Layton
Marshall, N.C. Business Administration
Hardie, Marsha Lynn Banner
Spruce Pine, N.C. Elementary Ed.



FAR L: Resident tutor Kim Allen helps freshmen in her dorm learn good study habits. CENTER: "Koffee" Buckson thumbs through record selections in the bookstore. LEFT: Busy with broadcasting duties, Alice Harrill plays the latest in Top 40 sounds on WVMH-fm.



Hardin, George Grady, Jr.
Dunedin, Fla. Elementary Ed.
Harlow, James Carroll, Jr.
Mineral, Va. Religion
Harrill, Alice Gibbons
Greenville, S.C. Social Work
Hawkins, Ellen Melinda
Gastonia, N.C. Music Education
Hawkins, Shelia Lynn
Jackson, N.C. Art

Hedgepeth, Byron Lloyd
Denver, N.C. Music Education
Heffner, Charles Frederick, III
Allentown, Pa. Business Administration
Heine, James Walter
Clearwater, Fla. Biology
Henderson, Allie Joyce Ball
Alexander, N.C. Elementary Ed.
Henry, Randall Gordon
Victor, N.Y. Music Ed.

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Hill, Cathy Lynn Sinclair
 Albemarle, N.C. Music Ed.
 Hill, Cynthia Gayle
 Louisville, Ky. Psychology
 Hill, Errol Seth
 Dobson, N.C. Physical Ed.
 Hill, Janet Louise
 Weaverville, N.C. Music Ed.
 Hinton, Thomas Russell
 Kings Mountain, N.C. Music Ed.

Holden, James Cecil, Jr.
 Supply, N.C. Business Administration
 Hollar, Beverly Dawn
 Yadkinville, N.C. Art
 Hollin, Donna Sue
 Easley, S.C. Elementary Ed.
 Howard, Paul Dwight
 Haines City, Fla. Religion
 Hudson, Joel Bruce
 Hendersonville, N.C. Music Ed.

Huffman, Becky Jean
 Hickory, N.C. Music Performance
 Ikard, Tony Marvin
 Maiden, N.C. Music Ed.
 Jackson, Lonna Sybil
 Vance, S.C. Theatre Arts
 Johnson, Daniel Joseph
 Kingston, Tenn. Business Administration
 Johnson, Jo Ann Chandley
 Mars Hill, N.C. Spanish

Jordan, Martha Blair
 Laurinburg, N.C. Elementary Ed.
 Jordan, Ramona Gale
 Ocala, Fla. Physical Ed.
 Jordan, Thomas Douglas
 Greenville, Miss. Economics
 Julian, Terry Lewis
 Easley, S.C. Physical Ed.
 Justice, Doris Leona
 Waynesville, N.C. Elementary Ed.

Kimsey, Martha Melinda
 Anderson, S.C. English
 King, David Gerald
 Asheville, N.C. Business Administration
 Kinsey, John Fletcher
 Daytona Beach, Fla. Art. Ed.
 Kubler, Matthew Christian
 Marietta, S.C. Physical Ed.
 Lane, Stephen Daniel
 Jacksonville, Fla. Psychology

Lawrance, Sara Elizabeth
 St. Petersburg, Fla. Art. Ed.
 Leal, Karen Ann
 Blairstown, N.J. Art
 Ledford, Jerry James
 Canton, N.C. Music Ed.
 Livesay, Kathy Sue
 Marshall, N.C. English
 Lunsford, James David
 Vero Beach, Fla. Physical Ed.





Mackey, John Ralph, Jr.
 Mooresville, N.C. Physical Ed.
 Manning, George Walter, Jr.
 Langhorne, Pa. Elementary Ed.
 Marlowe, Mary Elizabeth
 Hendersonville, N.C. Home Economics
 Martin, Dean Allen
 Salem, Va. Art Ed.
 Martin, Rick Edward
 Roanoke, Va. Business Administration



UPPER: A class outside gives students and teachers a chance to escape confining classroom walls. LOWER L: A last check of makeup and hairstyle before going on stage in Mandy Lou finds Pam Smith poised and confident. LOWER R: Having just finished her senior piano recital, Terri Smith beams with relief and satisfaction.



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Maynard, Mary Kathryn
Simpsonville, S.C. Biology
McCourry, Michael E.
Burnsville, N.C. Accounting
McFarland, Marsha Lyne
Weaverville, N.C. Elementary Ed.
McKinna, Gary Steven
Etowah, N.C. Business Administration
McMurry, Susan Bernice
Shelby, N.C. Elementary Ed.

Miller, Larry Howard
Verona, Va. History
Mills, Patricia Lynn
Fort Mill, S.C. Political Science
Mitchell, John Charles, III
Winter Park, Fla. Accounting
Moore, William Neil
Charlotte, N.C. English
Morrow, Donna Lynn
Hendersonville, N.C. Elementary Ed.

Morse, Susan Kathryn
Charlotte, N.C. Social Work
Moyer, Mark Henry
Roanoke, Va. Church Music
Murray, Sandra Dean
Mars Hills, N.C. Physical Ed.
Nara, Akitaka
Mars Hills, N.C. Business Administration
Navey, Barbara Dianne
Stanley, N.C. Elementary Ed.

Newlin, Patricia Holt
Haw River, N.C. Physical Ed.
Oshields, Frances Yvonne
Landrum, S.C. Elementary Ed.
Owens, Charles Lee
Gastonia, N.C. Allied Health
Parham, Paula Fran
Leicester, N.C. Home Economics
Parris, Richard Monroe
Denver, N.C. Business Administration

Parrish, Beverly Ann
Richmond, Va. Physical Ed.
Perry, Ann Eugenia
Washington, D.C. Elementary Ed.
Plemmons, Jennifer Lynn
Leicester, N.C. Music Ed.
Poole, Glenn Norwood, Jr.
Charlotte, N.C. Accounting
Pritchard, Joseph Wesley
Lenoir, N.C. Business Administration

Psychas, John Demosthenes, II
Asheville, N.C. Music Ed.
Qualls, David Alfred
Shelby, N.C. Religion
Queen, Debra Elaine
Bostic, N.C. History
Redman, Richard Dale
Asheville, N.C. Mathematics
Reed, Sharon Renea
Andrews, N.C. Elementary Ed.





Reese, Mark Allen
Gastonia, N.C. Music Ed.
 Reese, Mary Frances
Gastonia, N.C. Home Economics

Reinke, Jo Anne Gail
Asheville, N.C. Nursing
 Renfro, Don Hugh, Jr.
Asheville, N.C. Music Ed.

Rice, Elizabeth Ann
Watkinsville, Ga. Business Ed.
 Richardson, Rita Hibbett
Thomasville, N.C. Psychology

Riddle, Jonathan Wayne
Locust, N.C. History
 Roach, Rodger Paul
Reidsville, N.C. Music Ed.



UPPER C: Even a notice in her mailbox helps brighten Janet Hill's day. LOWER: Heading for the cafeteria line, hungry Lions seek a good, hot meal.

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FAR R: Bulletin boards in the student union fill fast before Christmas with anxious sojourners "thumbing it" the easy way. RIGHT: Mark Reese finds the easy life enjoyable, taking his time to get to his next class.



Roberts, Susan Elaine
Travelers Rest, S.C. Social Work
 Robinson, Michael Lloyd
Candler, N.C. Music Education
 Robinson, Rebecca Faye
Asheville, N.C. Music Education
 Rodgers, Robin Lois
Marietta, S.C. Psychology
 Rogers, William Kyle
Roanoke, Va. Religion
 Roper, Sarah Jane
Easley, S.C. Elementary Ed.
 Russell, Joel Glenn
Union, S.C. Business Administration
 Sawyer, Ronald Edward
Barnardsville, N.C. Religion
 Singleton, Martha Brinkley
Murphy, N.C. Physical Ed.
 Smiley, Judith Frances
Lake Worth, Fla. Accounting





Smith, Rostand Eldridge, III
 Elizabethton, Tn. Accounting
 Smith, Terri Annette
 Newell, N.C. Music Education
 Smyth, Joseph John, Jr.
 Vincentown, N.J. Accounting
 Steppleton, James Larry
 Canton, N.C. Religion
 Stirewalt, Stuart Craig
 Miami, Fla. Biology

Stokes, Michael Booth
 Darlington, S.C. Physical Ed.
 Storm, Julia Fern
 Kingsport, Tn. Chemistry
 Strickland, Ray Clifford
 Mars Hill, N.C. Social Work
 Sturgill, Glenna Sue
 Marion, Va. Art
 Surrency, Wanda Susan
 Hawthorne, Fla. Elementary Ed.

Sutton, Susan Marie Fisher
 Marshall, N.C. Elementary Ed.
 Taylor, William Arthur
 Woodruff, S.C. English
 Thomas, Barbara Carroll
 St. Petersburg, Fla. Elementary Ed.
 Thomas, Eulalia Ann
 Kannapolis, N.C. Psychology
 Timms, John Rufus
 Rion, S.C. Elementary Ed.

Need ride to FT. LAUD.
 Fla.- Christmas Break
 (Will take anything I can get
 anywhere near Laud.- Miami,
 Boca, Vero, W. Palm, etc. . . .)
 -Will whole-heartily help with
 gas + driving!!

SENIORS

Tipton, Dewitt Talmadge, Jr.
 Old Fort, N.C. *Music Performance*
 Towle, Debra Ruth
 Taylors, S.C. *Elementary Education*
 Trammel, Ronald Gene
 Andrews, N.C. *Accounting*
 Triplett, Philip Claude
 North Wilkesboro, N.C. *Business Administration*
 Tunstall, Sarah Ruth
 Winter Park, Fla. *Accounting*

 Vaughan, Terry Leigh
 Harrisonburg, Va. *Elementary Education*
 Vickery, Sarah Martha
 Pickens, S.C. *Art Education*
 Walden, Merle Anne
 Roanoke, Va. *Allied Health*
 Walker, Keith William
 Mars Hill, N.C. *Physical Ed.*
 Walker, Marsha Holmes
 Mars Hill, N.C. *Theatre Arts*

 Walker, Nancy Morgan
 Marion, N.C. *Physical Ed.*
 Wallace, Jimmy D.
 Murphy, N.C. *Music Education*
 Webster, Mary Ann
 Pasadena, Md. *Home Economics*
 Wells, William Alexander
 Hickory, N.C. *Business Administration*
 West, Marie Adele
 Laurinburg, N.C. *Psychology*





LOWER L: Busy with yet another deadline, Contact co-editors Jenni Fortune and Martha Jordan create headlines. UPPER: "Follow the leader," shouts head majorette Wanda Sur-rency to squad members during practice.



Whitmire, Margaret Elizabeth
Hendersonville, N.C. Music Education
Wilds, Anna Kathryn
Rome, Ga. Psychology
Williams, Steven Alan
Asheville, N.C. Music Performance
Williamson, Lester Edward, III
Columbia, S.C. Physical Ed.
Wilson, Cheryll Ann
Alexandria, Va. Accounting

Wilson, Curtis Ray, Jr.
Abbeville, N.C. Business Administration
Wilson, Kenneth Dale
Icard, N.C. Theatre Arts
Wolfe, Barbara Ann
Asheville, N.C. Music Education
Wood, Jean Irene
Mars Hill, N.C. Physical Ed.
Yates, Carol Lynn
Ocala, Fla. Elementary Ed.



Young, Robert Lynwood, Jr.
Salem, Va. Music Education

GREENSBORO INTERNS

Thirteen Learn New Methods, Change Educational Concepts

This year 13 elementary education majors chose to complete the required year's internship in the Greensboro school system rather than commute from Mars Hill to area schools. From late August to June, the interns put their previous Mars Hill training into practice in one of three Greensboro elementary schools. Two of these schools offered the open-classroom situation. The third, while consisting of self-contained classes, combined the two approaches and conducted many "open" type activities such as learning centers. In addition, the interns continued their own course work for two afternoons out of the week. By participating in this program the students were able to learn first hand the ins and outs of a nontraditional educational concept.

UPPER L: Reading with Snoopy makes learning fun, as Faith Miller and Diane Wiggins demonstrate. LOWER L: L-R, Faith Miller, Jean Nelms, Debbie Coppedge, Becky Rasor, Ellen Bishop, Diane Wiggins, Tina Lyons, Ann Baloun, Pam Ducker, Lois Sparks, Helen Schott, and Betsy Adams join Carlene Griffin for some singing fun. CENTER: School isn't all reading and writing, but a little "fancy footwork" too. UPPER R: Debbie Coppedge, Tina Lyons, and Betsy Adams help young musicians practice the xylophone. LOWER R: Pam Ducker and Carlene Griffin help interested onlookers tell time.





Baloun, Ann Marie
 Ducker, Pamela Ruth
 Miller, Faith Madeion
 Rasor, Rebecca Jane

Sparks, Lois Dean
 Adams, Betsy
 Bishop, Ellen
 Coppedge, Debbie

Griffen, Carlene
 Lyons, Tina
 Nelms, Joan
 Wiggins, Diane

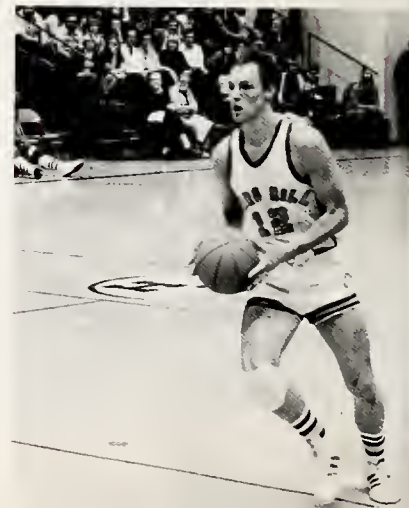




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*And now we reflect upon the past. Memories
that all too soon will grow faded and dim flash
before our eyes.*







*But it is pointless to try to capture the past.
Instead we must live for the future and work to
build a productive life.*







We must leave the shadows to the past, and go forward and upward with the light of dawn – stretching out fingers to help brighten the shadows of others' lives.

Take heart in the future and live so that that which is left with others is good. We are, after all, reflections upon the lives of others. . . "I am a part of all that I have met; yet all experience is an arch where through gleams that untraveled world. . ."





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